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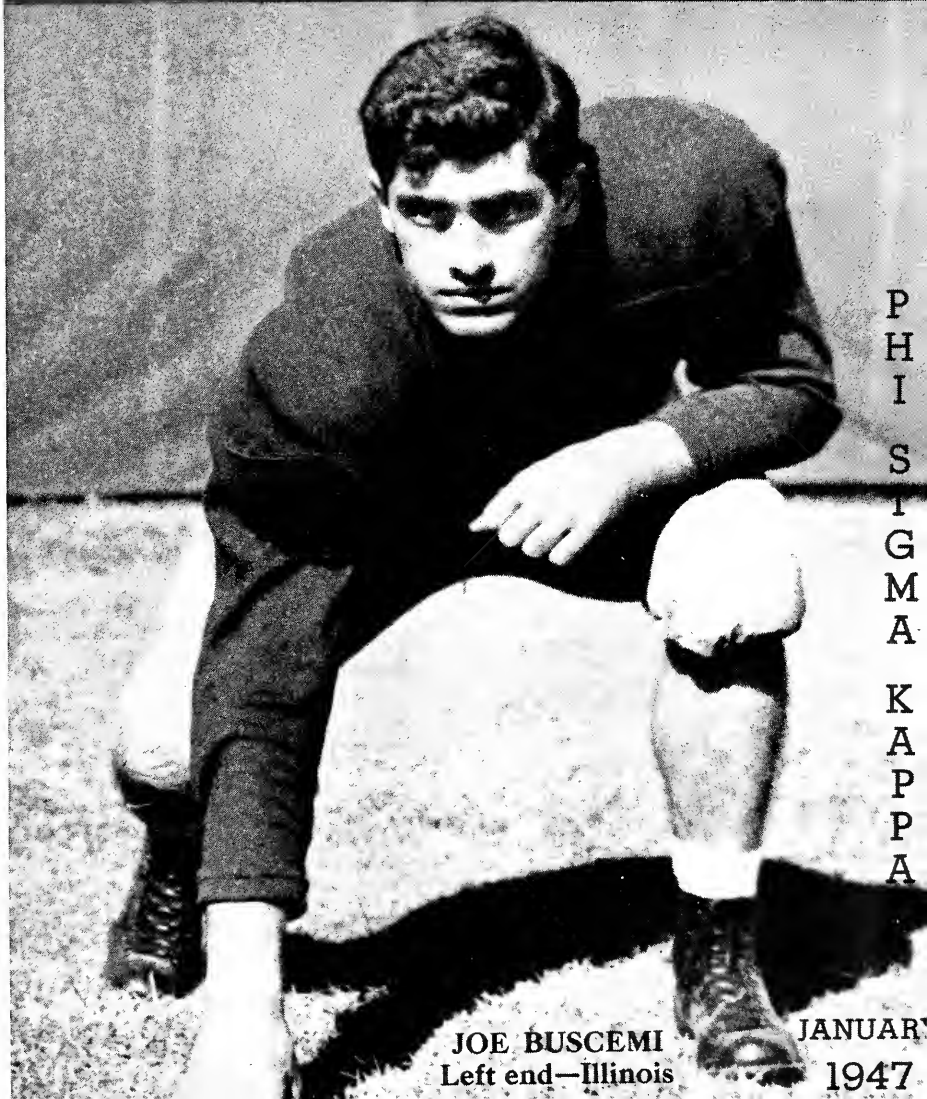


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# F. and M. Academy's Main Building Dedicated "Hartman Hall"

ON June 29, 1946, the old F. and M. Academy's main building was dedicated "Hartman Hall" in honor of Dr. Edwin M. Hartman, Pi '95. In use now as a dormitory and dining hall, it begins a new chapter in its long and distinguished history which goes back to the founding of F. and M. itself under the direct attention of Benjamin Franklin.

The famous "oval" of Hartman Hall recalls more than memories to its former students from Siam, Korea, Japan, Persia, China and Lancaster as well as from approximately every country in Europe and every state in this country. It tells the story of two young men who held the Academy together when it was about to be dissolved in a run-down condition shortly before the turn of the century. It vividly pictures in massive stone how they developed the school into one of the country's foremost schools for boys.

## *Started Teaching at 16*

"Ed" Hartman began teaching in Bucks County schools when he was 16 years old. Four years later he entered Franklin and Marshall College to graduate in 1895 with a B.A. degree and received his Master's degree in 1898. However, it was in the spring of 1897 that Hartman took a major step in his life — and the existence of the Franklin and Marshall Academy, then 110 years old.

DURING his years as teacher and principal of the Academy Dr. Hartman was also active in church and community. An assistant to the president of F. and M. College, he directed the financial campaign, 1903-07. He was secretary of the department of field work and director of the financial campaign of the Forward Movement of the Reformed

Church in the United States, 1919-25; chairman of the Civil Service Commission for the Lancaster Department of Police; 1926-30; chairman of the Lancaster City Shade Tree Commission, 1929-42; president of the Head Masters' Club of the Philadelphia District, 1928; vice-chairman of the Alliance of Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System (Western Section), 1939-40; member of the Pennsylvania German Society, and Phi Beta Kappa. Dr. Hartman is one of the few laymen who are licensed to preach and perform certain functions of the ministry in the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

That was the year that the 8th Academy principal resigned. Student enrollment had dwindled, and at the end of the year the Trustees were ready to close the school.

However, Thaddeus G. Helm, who had also taught school before entering college, and, like Hartman, taught most of the time he was going through college, suggested to Hartman that the two of them together apply for the principalship of the school.

"After some consideration the Board decided to let us try for a year without any promise of salary except such as the school might earn for us," Dr. Hartman recalls. "At that time the old Academy building (the present East Hall) was poorly equipped. The heat was provided by small coal stoves in each boy's room. Each room had a wash bowl and pitcher, and each boy got water from a cistern outside."

But the Academy streaked ahead under Helm and Hartman. Big plans materialized rapidly. As a matter of fact the erection of Main Hall was conceived at a quickly "rounded-up" meeting one



EDWIN M. HARTMAN

afternoon out on the Hamilton tract behind the college.

THE work of the fall term gave the Trustees sufficient confidence to install a steam heating plant and a water system in the East Hall building during the first Christmas vacation as well as to furnish more rooms for boarding students. There were 73 students that first year that the two principals took over; 107, the second year, and 126, the third year.

Then after the second year of the associate principalship the Academy had to rent rooms outside in the neighborhood to accommodate all the boarding students, and, in a few years, the Board considered providing an additional, modern building.

"About this time Sylvester Moore and Martin Harnish were building the houses on the last ground available on the east

side of College Ave.," Dr. Hartman said in explaining how the basic plans for the Main building were formulated in 1905. "This left only the Hamilton tract adjoining the campus on the west available for a possible increase of the College campus.

"In the Summer of 1905," Dr. Hartman continued, "Sylvester Moore met me one day on E. King St. and said, 'Ed, there is a group of men getting together to buy the Hamilton tract for a real estate development. If they do that the College will be permanently limited to its narrow campus along College Ave.'"

AT that point Dr. Hartman began in earnest his crusade for the much needed second Academy building. He headed directly for Williamson's Store, and told Mr. Williamson, a trustee, what he had just heard. At Williamson's suggestion he went up to Mr. Hensel's office and told him the story. Hensel wrote promptly to Mr. Baer, president of the Board, who replied that the local Trustees should take such action as seemed wise to them.

"A group of local members of the Board and I met on this 32-acre tract to size up the situation," Dr. Hartman continued. "When these men left, Mr. Hensel said, 'This is the place for the new Academy building. We will get the grounds and Hartman, you get the building.'" The Board decided that as soon as there was \$75,000 in sight they would proceed with the building.

The campaign for funds for the new Academy building was on. It turned out to be one of the easiest money-raising projects that any of the men had ever been connected with before. The first contributor was A. C. Kepler, a Board member, with \$5000, and from that point money literally flowed in.

James Shand, who was chairman of the Academy Committee at the time,



subscribed \$1500, and secured \$37,500 from Andrew Carnegie through a mutual Scottish friend. Either on request or on their own initiative approximately nine local men offered \$1000 each, and 12 others gave \$500 each. The rest came in smaller amounts, although there was no general canvass.

The \$75,000 was secured in time to start the erection of the building in the fall of 1907. It was completed in time to begin its use in September 1908 and the enrollment promptly increased to 200 students. The two men maintained their joint principalship until the World War I period when the school was reduced and Mr. Helm left to become superintendent of the Masonic Home at Elizabethtown, Pa.

**P**ROBABLY first in the Academy's army of instructors and boys to gain world-wide recognition during the 156-year existence was B. J. Schipper, professor of languages at the Franklin Academy in 1812 when he, with the Rev. Dr. Henry Muhlenberg, pastor of the German Lutheran Church here, published the first German-English and English-German dictionary produced in this country.

But then following closely were thousands of others whose names echo a familiar ring wherever they are spoken. The old Academy sent out at least three boy students, who later became college presidents: G. Morris Smith, president of Susquehanna University; Charles Lallowall, president of West Virginia University, and Dr. John A. Schaeffer, late president of Franklin and Marshall College.

Among the early graduates in Dr. Hartman's career as principal were Brig. Gen. William H. Rose, active in both World Wars; Dr. Kenneth Appel, formerly of Lancaster and noted Philadelphia psychiatrist; Dr. Ward Evans, formerly of Lancaster County, retired head

of the Chemistry Department at Northwestern University who taught two U. S. Army Colleges in England and France, and is still overseas; Dr. Edgar Transeau, who among other noteworthy positions, is professor of Plant Physiology, at Ohio State University since 1915 and recognized as one of the national leaders in his department; and Dr. John R. Workman, formerly of Lancaster, now with the Classics Department at Princeton University.

**A**T its peak the Academy ranked in the top quarter among schools sending pupils on to College. In one year 70 boys graduating from the Academy went to 24 different colleges. Dr. Hartman always kept close check on his "grandsons" too. They were the boys whose fathers had also studied under Hartman. One year there were 14 grandsons attending the Academy.

Acclaimed in athletics as well as in scholarly standards the Academy ranked high among preparatory schools in wrestling, basketball, track, baseball and football. For many years the basketball team participated in the tournament at Glen Falls, N. Y., where the pick of eastern preparatory teams were invited. The wrestling team which had a reputation for finishing high, participated in the annual meets for preparatory schools at Lehigh University and at least once won the Preparatory School Tournament there. The Academy itself sponsored interschool track and field meets many years for high schools and preparatory schools in which the pick of the eastern schools competed annually.

The Academy represented an era in education which is symbolized in the building—but much more of its influence will prevail in the lives of nearly 4,000 men all over the world.

Dr. Hartman is at present compiling a uniform school history, a voluminous task covering his 46 year principalship.

# A New Prediction Science

**P**REDICTION—a word that encourages either ridicule, skepticism or sneers from those who are inexperienced in the science which underlies this mysterious field of endeavor—or—it brings stanch intelligent support from others who, through research, uphold the view that this subject is one worth exploring and that remarkable results can be attained.

In August, 1945 one of these outstanding prediction performances did a great deal to rout much of this orthodox prejudice.

On July 31, 1945, Andersen Laboratories of Brookline, Massachusetts, sent the following letter to 300 corporations, 26 newspapers, *Time*, *Fortune* and *Life* Magazines and to Fulton Lewis, Jr.:

"The following is the result of fifteen years of intensive research in developing a science in the field of economic prediction.

"August 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th, of 1945, are vital days. The stock market will decline. An important event will take place.

"We cannot predict what the event will be, but we *can* predict the effect. As to what might occur, we can only speculate. Russia might enter the war; Japan may capitulate."

**N**EVER in history were such momentous events crowded into so short a time. On August 6th, the first atomic bomb was dropped. On August 8th Russia declared war on Japan. On August 11th, Japan sued for peace. On August 14th, Japan accepted the peace terms.

Many men in high places believed that Andersen Laboratories had gone out on a limb and that the limb would break. Ridicule and jesting were the immediate reactions to that now famous letter. This attitude swiftly changed when the tran-

spiring of events substantiated its prediction.

Newspapers generally were afraid to publish the forecast. *Fortune* Magazine, after its usual careful investigation, published a story in its November, 1945 issue in which it gave deserved credit to Andersen Laboratories.

**T**ODAY those who were familiar with this amazing forecast now respect the efforts of this unusual organization which has through performance proven its contentions many times.

To date Andersen Laboratories have spent \$350,000 in developing and perfecting a cold forecasting science in the economic field.

This project, headed by Frank A. Andersen of Andersen Laboratories, has combined a factual statistical approach of past mass psychological behavior with the laws of navigation. To date 120,000 basic impulses, represented by changes plus or minus in the Dow-Jones Averages, have been isolated.

These impulses, in turn, have been related to absolute time in the universe through astronomical calculations of time. From this mass of data, pattern books have been developed and tabulated by International Business Machines. Out of these pattern books it is possible to chart fourteen to twenty-six months in advance the major trends of the Dow-Jones Industrial and Rail Averages, Federal Reserve Index of Total Production, commodity trends and also the ebb and flow of mass thinking in human relations.

**I**N discussing the science that he has developed, Mr. Andersen makes the following explanation of his research:

"Basic thinking on a national scale—or mass psychology—can only express itself at any given moment in one of

two ways — namely, plus or minus, or positive or negative. The ebb and flow of the price level of the Dow-Jones Averages over the past fifty years have been formed into a pattern of mass thinking. When grouped and carried through certain laboratory procedures, they always represent mass thinking, as it expresses itself in either a combination of a positive majority and a negative minority or vice versa.

"It is this balance between positive and negative thinking that determines the direction of a trend. With a combination of a positive majority and negative minority thinking, the trend line goes upward, the speed of the advance being determined by the size of the majority.

"When the combination of thought is a negative majority and positive minority, the trend goes downward and once again the size of the majority influence determines the speed of the downward motion of the curve.

"It has been found, furthermore, that when absolute time, represented by astronomical calculations, repeats or approximates a previous calculation, the Dow-Jones Averages repeat themselves in terms of plus or minus. Hence, here is scientific proof that history repeats itself in effect as well as cause."

**I**N discussing the various projections for prediction, some interesting facts came to light.

The Federal Reserve Index of Total Production is one made up of business reports coming into bank headquarters from all over the country. Here they are assimilated and reported to the nation in index form, indicating the trend of total production. This index represents the total thinking required to obtain the needed production of goods for the nation.

Against this index, plotted fourteen to twenty-six months in advance, is the Economic Calculated Trend created by the Andersen Laboratories.

A recent comparison of these two indices showed the following correlation. In September, 1943 the Andersen Economic Calculated Trend hit a high point of 247. The Federal Reserve Index made its high in October of 247. In May, 1946 the Economic Calculated Trend registered 166 against 160 for the Federal Reserve Index.

**T**HE significance of this correlation is that the Federal Reserve Index is a factual physical series, whereas the Economic Calculated Trend is a factual prediction series expressed in terms of dollars and cents. Yet these two entirely different groups of statistics have a very high correlation value.

The Dow-Jones prediction curve is named the Financial Calculated Trend and has a remarkable record of forecasting. This chart line was first projected in October, 1930 for the year 1931 and has continued for almost seventeen years in its prediction projection of the Dow-Jones Averages.

During this period of time the plus or minus financial and economic effects of the following events have been successfully forecast:

- Hoover Moratorium on German Debts
- England's Abandonment of the Gold Standard
- Bank Holiday
- United States Abandonment of Gold Standard
- Gold Clause
- Period of Prosperity 1935-6-7 into March, 1937
- Depression of 1937-38-39
- Declaration of War
- Hitler Blitzkrieg through Holland, Belgium and France
- German Invasion of Russia
- Pearl Harbor
- End of World War II

**T**HE latest accomplishment of this Brookline group was to forecast the

1946 crash of the stock market. The Financial Calculated Trend began declining on July 10 and continued to October 1. During this period the market dropped approximately 50 dollars. This chart was calculated and projected in early 1945.

This prediction was directly contrary to existing opinion, for at the time of this event business was going ahead rapidly, an abundance of scarcities was a chief topic of conversation and there were no straws in the wind to give evidence of the impending stock market crash.

The Andersen Laboratories also produce another product called a Mass Psychology Chart, which forecasts the ebb and flow of mass thinking in *human relations*. The applied results of this chart are remarkable. The chart indicates for each hour of the day whether the trend of mass thinking is positive or negative and to what degree.

IT has been found that constructive and progressive events occur in the upward trends, while anything from petty annoyances and disappointments down to major calamities occur in the down trends.

In following the Washington scene in connection with chart indications it was discovered that all major strikes were announced or called in downward trends and settled during upward trends.

The impending telephone strike was settled at 5:30 A. M. in a sharp upward trend. Major airplane accidents, explosions, hotel fires, railroad wrecks and many other types of destructive events occur in the downward trends.

Salesmen have their best results in upward trends of psychology or mass thinking, and their disappointments in the downward trends.

MR. Andersen tells an interesting story about a manufacturer from the Middle West who paid a visit to the Laboratories. During the conversation the manufacturer said: "How is it that we had a strike called at our plant in an

upward trend of psychology indicated on your chart?" "Are you sure?" asked Mr. Andersen. The answer was "yes." A few minutes later, Andersen asked for the date and hour of the strike. Upon receiving the information he produced the mass psychology chart for that day and hour. The manufacturer's plant was in Indiana. Adjustments in time had to be made for Daylight Saving and also Central Time, since the chart is calculated as of Eastern Standard Time. The manufacturer had failed to make these adjustments. When the proper position was found on the chart, the curve indicated a downward trend—not up—as he had stated.

GENERALLY viewed, orthodox thinking has not caught up with the philosophy that surrounds this science that has been developed and established by the Andersen Laboratories.

Gradually, however, more and more people recognize the truth and its significance that unfolds from the forecast charts. Clients scattered all over the country are finding sound financial and business guidance through using these charts. This is a natural consequence, as people open their minds to the undeniable existence of a basic law. Although mortal men cannot define it, any more than they can define electricity or gravitation in understandable terms, yet, despite their inability to understand their scientific bases, they cannot deny their effects, nor do they hesitate to make use of them.

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#### RE-OPENS LAW OFFICE

James R. Murphy, Lambda '29, has reopened his prewar law office in the American Security Building, Washington, D. C. Between September, 1941, and May, 1946, Brother Murphy was executive assistant to Major General William J. Donovan of the Office of Strategic Service.

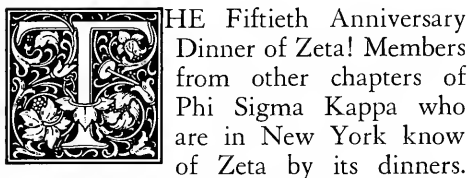


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## *Zeta Celebrates Fiftieth Anniversary*



THE Fiftieth Anniversary Dinner of Zeta! Members from other chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa who are in New York know of Zeta by its dinners.

These affairs are outstanding events in Phi Sigma Kappa. They are packed with spirit PLUS! This spirit that holds Zeta men together in a strong brotherly bond in our largest city, a spirit that survives the handicap of a chapter without a house, is unique.

The Fiftieth Anniversary Dinner surpassed any previous dinner of Zeta. There were one hundred and seventeen brothers present. The place was the Hotel Brevoort, one of New York's fine old hostelrys on lower Fifth Avenue at Eighth Street just north of the famed

Washington Arch in Washington Square. This is a part of Greenwich Village where painters' and sculptors' studios are interspersed with homes of old New York aristocracy and fine hotels like the Fifth Avenue, the Lafayette, and the Brevoort.

In the lobby of the Brevoort is a permanent gallery of modern paintings. Opposite the art gallery in the Blue Room, a banquet hall of uncommon charm and distinction, the well-known Pierre and his chefs served a dinner worthy of the fine French cuisine for which the Brevoort is famous. At one of the two head tables were seated five of the original nine charter members of Zeta, members for fifty years, with the toastmaster, the Honorable James W. Donoghue, '14, Judge of the Municipal Court of New



TOASTMASTER AND FOUNDERS

Herbert; Eder; M. Elgas; Donoghue, Toastmaster; Sparks; Valentine.

York City. At the other head table were Henry A. Manz, '16, retiring President of the Zeta Alumni Association, Herbert L. Brown, Phi '16, President of The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, Matthew J. Elgas, Jr., '99, Leroy Bedford Herbert, '98, Morris C. Valentine, '96, Clarence Ashton Sparks, '97, Phanor J. Eder, '99, charter members of Zeta, Paul Haronian, '46, President of Zeta, John H. Marchmont, Theta '10, and Don A. Hamilton, Epsilon Deuteron '11, Past-Presidents of The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, Frederick Griswold, Jr., Zeta '22, Regional Director for Region II, Hugh MacInnes, Iota '48, President

of Iota, and the undergraduate members of Zeta Chapter.

There were many Zeta men present who traveled long distances to the dinner — Edward Frey, '16 from Akron, Ohio, Jerome Leslie Melden, '20 from Syracuse, N. Y., William J. Gavin, William Cory Youmans, and Winchester DeVoe from places in Pennsylvania, and Matthew J. Elgas, Jr., '99 from Washington, to mention a few. A number of brothers from other chapters were present besides those at the head table, including Dr. Thomas W. Nale from the University of West Virginia, Robert Armstrong from Alpha at Massachusetts



SPECIAL GUEST TABLE

Left to right, seated: Don A. Hamilton, Past-president Grand Chapter; Herbert L. Brown, President Grand Chapter; Henry Manz, President Beta Alumni Association; John H. Marchmont, Past-president Grand Chapter; Frederick Griswold, Jr., Director, Region II. Standing: M. Elgas, Zeta Founder; P. Haronian, President Zeta Chapter; H. Mac Innes, President Iota Chapter.



State College, "Pete" Newell from Lehigh University, Dr. Shefford S. Miller from Pi Deuteron at Ohio State University, Cameron Miller of Cornell University, Robert McDuffy from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, "Al" Neuffel, Vice-President of the Iota Chapter at Stevens Technical Institute, and Harry Campbell, Chapter Adviser at Iota.

The assembled brothers very early were steeped in fraternal good cheer with the help of Mario, the accordionist, and a private bar in the Blue Room. Jim Donoghue sparked the evening with his brilliant comments when he served as toastmaster. Henry Manz, the retiring Alumni President, revealed through his own report and those of his administration associates, that he has given Zeta one of its most able administrations.

The high point of the evening came when President Brown made the Golden Anniversary Presentation. The Plaque commemorating Zeta's fifty years, which he gave to President Paul Haronian, '46, of the active chapter, is most beautiful. The raised portion of the seal and the letters, polished against an oxidized background reveal a handsome casting on a fine wood mounting. Candid cameras caught this presentation as well as other features of the evening.

The program ended with a brief business meeting, at which the Zeta Alumni Association elected Ferdinand V. Smoldren '23, as its president, and the other following officers: Joseph Hlavac, '29, as vice-president; Daniel Lundvall, '39, as secretary; Raymond C. Meyer, '39, as treasurer; Edmund A. Roe, '29, as historian; and Charles V. Scheuermann, '30, as auditor.

Many groups stayed on recollecting their college days and the years that followed. Some remained at their tables while others gathered at the private bar or at the hotel bar, exchanging stories and experiences. Everybody agreed that the Fiftieth Anniversary Dinner of Zeta



PLAQUE PRESENTATION

Herbert L. Brown, President of the Grand Chapter, presents the Council fifty year plaque to Paul Haronian, President of Zeta Chapter.

Chapter was the most successful event in the New York history of Phi Sigma Kappa.

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### *Poor Jim! Just About Made It*

The Honorable James W. Donoghue, Zeta who entered C. C. N. Y. from its Preparatory Department, Townsend Harris Hall, was graduated with the class of 1914. He got two prizes in Public Speaking; otherwise he says, he just about made the grade.

On completion of his college course he was licensed to teach Economics in the New York City high schools but accepted a position in the Credit Department of the Peoples' Bank of New York City for which institution he had worked during his summer vacations from high school and college. He also studied law at Fordham University and entered the New York law firm of Redding and Greeley upon conclusion of World War I. He later became a partner in the firm of Redding, Greeley & O'Shea.

While in service he rose from the rank

of Private to Captain in the Judge Advocate General's Division.

Jim was appointed Assistant District Attorney of Bronx County in 1932 and served in that office about five years when he was elected Judge of the Municipal Court of Bronx County which office he still holds.

He is First Vice-president and Director of the Alumni Association of C. C. N. Y. and was awarded the Alumni Service Medal by that Association in 1942 for his efforts in the furtherance of the cause of sound public and secondary higher education. He has also been awarded the Garri Melchers Medal of the Artists' Fellowship for service in the promotion of American art and welfare of American artists.

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### "K"

On September 5, 1939 K. was appointed United States Attorney for the East-



HAROLD M. KENNEDY

ern District of New York, an office which he held until September 29, 1944. During that time 43 German espionage

agents and 3 Japanese agents were prosecuted and convicted. Among the former was the notorious Duquesne, who was tried along with a number of other German agents in 1941 prior to Pearl Harbor. It was this case that prompted the making of the recent motion picture "The House on 92nd Street". All of the defendants, including 3 female agents, were convicted. Among other activities had been efforts by him to secure the design of the Norden bomb sight, one of the convicted defendants having held the job of Inspector of Completed Sights at the plant. Another defendant was employed in the Sperry Gyroscope Co.

Among the other war time espionage prosecutions was one involving the transmission of information concerning troop sailings to Lisbon by air mail with the use of secret ink.

In addition to this, during K's time in the Eastern District a great many important cases involving war time legislation were initiated. These related to such matters as smuggling war materials out of the country (platinum, for example), an operation which was forbidden by the Second War Powers Act but which involves interesting and intricate questions of law.

K. has just been appointed by the Chief Justice of the United States as Chairman of the Judicial Conference Committee on Juvenile Delinquency. This will involve a nation-wide study of a problem which is rapidly assuming grave importance in the administration of criminal law.

K. is none other than the Honorable Harold M. Kennedy, Zeta '17, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

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### HAS LEADING ROLE

Alan E. Baxter, Chi '30, has the leading role in the "Voice of the Turtle" now playing in New York City.

## *Fifty Years At Zeta*



ETA Chapter at the College of the City of New York was the direct result of the fertile brain and broad vision of John Ashburton Cutter, Alpha '82 and Beta '86, the "Great Expansionist" of Phi Sigma Kappa.

In the middle of November, 1896, he prevailed upon William T. Elgas, then a senior, and his brother, Matthew J. Elgas, Jr., a sophomore, to start a chapter of the fraternity at the College, and on December 10, a petition for a charter was sent to the Grand Chapter. A notification of acceptance was mailed by the Secretary on December 12 (!) and on the 19th the induction was held at the old Grand Union Hotel opposite Grand Central Station.

Of the nine neophytes, three were graduate members: Charles B. Jameson, Emilius W. Scherr, Jr., and Morris C. Valentine, all of the class of '96. "Skippy" Scherr had been valedictorian of his class the preceding June. The undergrads were William T. Elgas, Albert G. Rich, and Clarence A. Sparks, all of '97, LeRoy B. Herbert, '98, and Phanor J. Eder and Matthew J. Elgas, Jr., '99. The induction team consisted of John A. Cutter and Joseph F. Barrett of Alpha, Frederick W. Loughran and John W. Kniskern of Beta, and George J. Vogel of Gamma. Naturally, a banquet followed.

Zeta had a hard row to hoe from the very beginning. Four old and well-known national fraternities had well-established chapters there, and Zeta, the sixth chapter of a fraternity practically unknown at the time, found itself starting from well behind scratch. But Zeta bucked them all with marked success, initiating some of the best men from each successive class.

To conserve its meager resources, Zeta held its early meetings and the first two

initiations, through the kindness of the parents of "Phanny" Eder, in the front basement room of his home on West 80th Street. In the spring of '97 a small furnished room at 57 W. 24 Street was rented, and in the fall larger quarters were rented at 1145 Broadway.

While all this was going on, Zeta, led by the Elgas brothers, worked toward the establishment of a chapter at nearby Columbia College. With the assistance of Dr. Cutter and others of the Grand Chapter, the induction of Theta resulted on December 16, 1897, almost a year to the day after Zeta's birth. The two chapters decided to become partners in the renting of quarters. These served also to house the New York Club and the national organization's headquarters in New York. This marked the beginning of the team work between the two chapters which prevailed, despite the vicissitudes of time and human nature, down to Theta's relinquishing its charter several years ago.

In those early years Zeta included many who made their marks later in the national organization and a number who attained prominence in their chosen endeavors.

Prominent among these was Frank L. Packard, nationally known author of the first two decades, who was inducted as Zeta's second Honorary member, the first having been Dr. Matthew J. Elgas, father of the first two members and Associate Superintendent of the New York City public school system. We all know "Bob" Wagner today as Senator Robert F. Wagner, for fourteen years his state's choice in the Upper Chamber. Stephen P. Duggan, initiated as a graduate member, has since attained international stature in the field of education. Emmet K. "Pony" Moore combined constant devotion to Zeta with marked success in the manufacturing world. Oscar Worm



was elected at the Washington Convention in 1902 as National President. Jim Donoghue was first a lawyer, and now is a Judge of the Municipal Court in the Bronx. Charles M. Anderson, prominent New York City executive of the C. M. Anderson Corporation, Robert Calvin Whitford, Director of Students and Chairman of the Department of English of Long Island University, well known author and editor of *Good Reading*, and Harold M. Kennedy, United States District Judge for the Eastern district of New York, formerly United States District Attorney for that district who prosecuted many well known espionage and security cases. "Lupe" Shields, an expert in real estate law, was greatly mourned on his death in 1944.

Not the least of our notables is Henry Manz, '16, sales executive with the Mohawk Carpet Mills, and the President of the Zeta Alumni Association during 1946, whose ability and efforts, ably assisted by Herb Henzel, Chairman of the Dinner Committee and others of that group, made our Fiftieth Anniversary celebration the memorable success it proved to be.

No history of the early days of Zeta would be complete without the inclusion of the story of Leon Wallace Kraus, of the class of 1902. Leon was without doubt one of the most loyal and enthusiastic members ever initiated into this or any other fraternity. A few months after his induction, he was stricken with a fatal illness. As he lay on what was destined to be his death bed, and with a premonition, probably, of what was about to happen, he requested of his mother that two things be done on the event of his dying: that he be buried with his fraternity pin on his vest, and that \$1000 be given out of his estate to start a building fund for Zeta Chapter. Both these requests were later carried out, and the legacy was made the nucleus of our building fund as Leon desired.

In 1908 the College moved uptown to its present Convent Avenue location, and again Zeta went house-hunting, which strikes a familiar note to modern



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ears. But there was no such thing as a shortage in *anything* in those days, and the chapter was speedily installed in new quarters 'way uptown.

In the new surroundings, Zeta took advantage of the increased registration and the chapter burgeoned. With the advent of World War I, however, Zeta soon found itself all but depopulated. Sixteen out of eighteen actives volunteered in the Spring of '17. By truly heroic efforts the chapter was somehow held together throughout the war, and Armistice Day found a reduced but potent nucleus extant for future growth.

There occurred one episode, which probably has never been equalled in fraternity war annals. Jesse Kaufmann, Anthony Bonanno, and Austin J. McDonald, Jr. volunteered in the same infantry regiment, were assigned to the same company, trained together, and went to France together. After some

days of action, the company was ordered to attack a heavily defended German position. All three were in the first wave that advanced across a field under heavy machine gun fire. All three were hit within a few yards from one another. Bonanno and McDonald were instantly killed. Kaufmann, badly wounded in both legs, lay for hours as the fighting surged back and forth, and was finally located and brought out by a corpsman. Escaping amputation by a narrow margin, he spent months in the hospital.

Murray C. Wheat, killed in action in France, and William R. Jones, who died while in training at Plattsburg, N. Y., completed Zeta's sad complement of Gold Stars in World War I.

Zeta's campus standing was enhanced further right after the war, when Lou Hoeflinger was appointed as the first student Colonel in the College R.O.T.C., carrying on the chapter's military tradition.

It was at this time that the chapter took on a decidedly veteran tinge, which again sounds a familiar note to present day ears. Starting from the handful left at the end of the war, the roster reached well up into the twenties within a year. Fred Griswold, '21, inducted at this time, is today the Regional Director of Region Two.

Zeta reached the peak of its athletic achievements in 1925, when two Zetans comprised half the relay team that took a first place home from the Penn Relays. The two speedsters were Don Valentine '27, and John McConnell '25. In the same year Tom Luckenbill was elected secretary of the Interfraternity Council, and achieved the distinction of having his name spelled Tuckenbill in each issue of The Campus, the College weekly.

In 1930 came the Great Fire, which gutted three trash baskets and a studio couch. Zeta rose Phoenix-like from the soot, and the deed was immortalized in

Landus Smith's deathless poetry in the Log.

In 1935 Tom Pennington was inducted as an Honorary member. Tom, who teaches Public Speaking at the College, became interested in the chapter, and was an anchor to windward when prospects seemed few. He has since been an enthusiastic brother, acting in an advisory capacity to class after class of Zetans.

About 1940 the Zeta News was revived, bigger'n better'n ever, by John McConnell and Bob McCready, both of '25, and has since been a welcome and regular visitor to our mail boxes. It was an important means of keeping all hands au courant during World War II.

After Pearl Harbor the chapter went through the inevitable diminution of its numbers. As in the first war, a bare handful maintained a tenuous hold on the chapter's existence. Some sixty of Zeta's best served in all branches. An accurate count is as yet impossible, for even at this late date yet another "lost sheep" turns up, in some cases completing his second term of service.

Two of Zeta's best will never return. One was Anthony J. Dorosewicz '46, who was killed in action in France. The other was William F. Munzinger '46, who was shot down over Borneo.

Once again Zeta has shown its recuperative ability. From a low of five in 1945 the ranks have swelled, at the present writing, to eighteen. Seven men were inducted this semester, bringing the all-time roll to an even three hundred. Zeta is justifiably proud of having continued its existence through two wars which have sounded the death knell to more favorably situated or better endowed chapters. Zeta hails her many sons who have reached the top in every walk of life.

There will always be a Zeta.

## *Zeta Chapter Today*

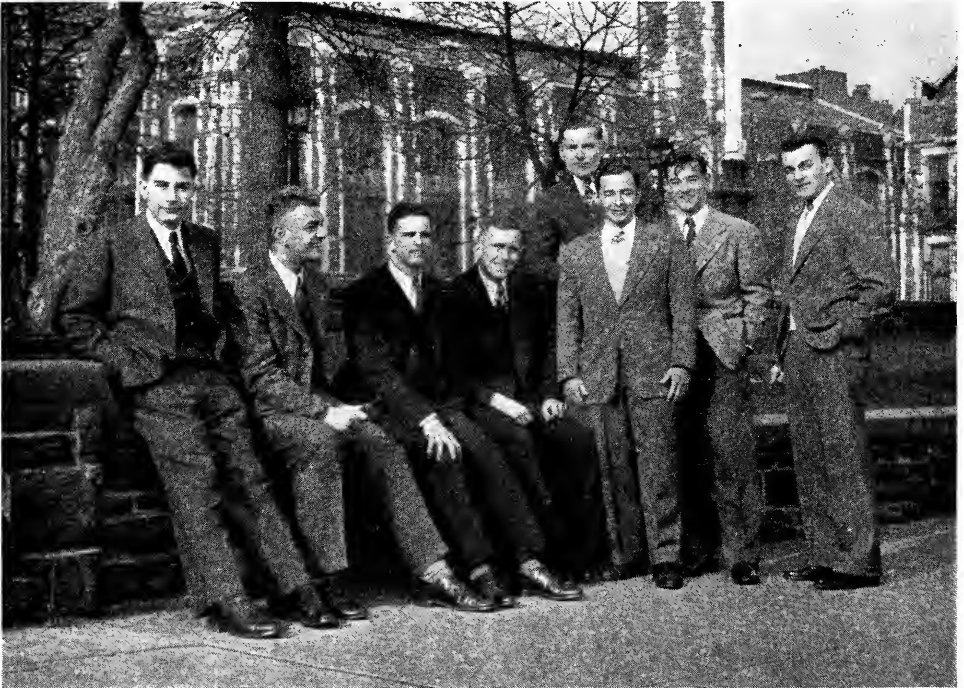


DECEMBER 19 of last year marked the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Zeta at the College of the City of New York, a unique chapter in the annals of Phi Sigma Kappa. Zeta is a small, hearty, well-knit organization which has always operated on a minimum budget and which has managed, through its own perseverance and the loyal support of its alumni, to weather the storms of two world wars.

Our chapter's quarters consist of a five-room apartment just off the college campus. Our brothers sleep at home, since they are all residents of New York City, but their collegiate and social life has its roots in their fraternal bond. Zeta

has been operating under these conditions ever since her inception. We have always looked forward to a time when we, too, would have our own permanent chapter house.

What we lack in grandeur of size, and physical appointments, we make up for with our cohesive and well-integrated organization. We attribute our proved ability for surviving difficult periods to a binding spirit of loyalty to the principles of the fraternity and a sense of duty to the traditions of our predecessors. There were times during the past conflict when our active membership sank to as low as three men. Despite our determination to keep our heads above water, we might well have gone under, had it not been for the eager and faith-



A GROUP OF ZETA ACTIVES

Left to right: Paul Haronian, Richard Penkava, Godfrey Lindsay, Hans Schwerdtfeger, George Goloway, Manoog Egazarian, Robert Krupa, John Tomcala.

ful cooperation of our very active alumni association, and our men in the service.

It is indeed appropriate that Zeta's Golden Anniversary should fall at this moment in the chapter's history. With the return of several servicemen, the stimulation of new blood, and the budding of the fraternal spirit in a crew of promising pledges, we can step forth with youthful zest to celebrate this landmark in our history. The chapter house, which was perforce, so lacking in activities during the war, began to perk up in the spring of 1946. The traditional Spring Formal Dance, the first since 1942, was held last May at the Midston House. Zeta was beginning to reawaken.

Summertime, as usual, found the house in a state of suspended animation, but the fall semester opened with an outing to Brother Bob Lindsay's bungalow at Greenwood Lake. All the brothers and their dates enjoyed the games and refreshments, topped off by a boat-ride.

Fall elections resulted in Brother Paul Haronian's re-election to the presidency, Hans Schwerdtfeger became vice-president, Bob Lindsay, secretary; Bob Krupka, treasurer; Dick Penkava, inductor; and John Tomcala was elected sentinel. These officers, together with brothers Vito Visconti, George Goloway, and Manoog Egazarian, formed the active chapter.

Brother Schwerdtfeger, after having served in the Far East as Chief Surveyor in an Aviation Engineering Battalion, has returned to complete his senior year. Others who were stationed in Japan were Brother Egazarian, corporal of Artillery, Brother Penkava, 1st lieutenant in the Transportation Corps, Brother Marketan, 1st lieutenant with G-2, Foreign Liaison Section of MacArthur's GHQ. In fact, so many saw service in Japan that they have banded together in an unofficial "Sukiyaki Society" for the preservation of their mutual experiences. Whenever any of them get together, there is no stopping the wild

and irresponsible tales that issue forth!

Brother Lindsay, former aviation cadet, has resumed his pre-dental course. John "Orson Welles" Tomcala, our most photogenic brother, is back after three years in the Navy as an Electronic Technician's Mate. Engineering is giving George Goloway plenty to ponder after two years in the Army. With 76 missions to his credit as a navigator over Burma and adjacent parts, Brother Visconti is torn between a resumption of studies and the founding of a family. Brother Gus Nickles who was, in his time, one of our most dynamic presidents, returned from his post as Flight Officer on B-29's to study Pharmacy at Fordham University and to take over the berth of Chapter Adviser recently vacated by Brother J. Norton Brennan. Brother Brennan, whose active participation and unstinted encouragement of Zeta's affairs dates back to 1933, is now with the Physics department of Penn. State College and is affiliated with Kappa Chapter at that institution.

Brother Thomas Pennington deserves our sincere thanks for his fruitful efforts in making Zeta's fall rushing program a complete success. Of the seven 'sturdy sons' pledged, four were initiated during the Thanksgiving week-end: Joe Mullaney, Henry LeBel, Wallace Carrie, and Joe Jaworski. Two more, Stephen Harantha and James Wipper, went through on December 14th, just one hour prior to our Golden Anniversary Banquet at the Hotel Brevoort.

Brother Mullaney, whose acrid humor earned him the nickname, 'The Unsmiling Irishman,' carries on the tradition of engineering pursuits among Zeta men. All-around athlete of the new men is Brother 'Doc' LeBel. Brother Carrie, a newcomer to the New York scene, promises to revitalize the quality of Literature and Art, as indicated by his timely observations and caricatures in Zeta's Log. One of the most colorful military careers can be ascribed to Brother Jaworski, who



enlisted in the R.C.A.F. in 1940. He crash-landed his disabled plane in England, spent fifteen months in the hospital recuperating from wounds, and was subsequently commissioned in the United States Infantry. One of the few business majors among Zeta men is Brother James Wipper. Steve Harantha has the honor of being the 301st initiate of Zeta Chapter. John Bauer, Zeta '23, was the 150th

initiate on the occasion of our twenty fifth anniversary. This indicates an average of induction of six men per year.

Our fall activities have included several smokers, a Halloween Party, and a Thanksgiving Party, all carried off successfully. Next on the schedule was the traditional New Year's Eve Party. We are already starting to plan for the next Spring Formal Dance.

## *Stephen Duggan's Idea Of Student Exchange To Be Carried On By Son*

In its section on Education, *Time* magazine on November 11, 1946 wrote interestingly of Brother Stephen Duggan, Zeta '90 as follows:

"In the spring of 1917, when most of the U. S. had its mind on war, a Manhattan college professor named *Stephen Duggan* had his mind on the peace that would come after. His theory: one big trouble between nations was misunderstanding of each other's ways. Many a well-heeled U. S. youth had studied painting in Paris, or philosophy *mit* beer at Heidelberg; but practically no foreign students had seen and sampled U. S. ideas and attitudes. His proposal: two-way scholarships between U. S. and foreign universities.

He took his idea to Nicholas Murray Butler, director of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, and two years later found himself director of the Carnegie-endowed Institute of International Education. With \$60,000 a year from Carnegie, Duggan set to work arranging "marriages" between U. S. and European universities, selected the U. S. students to go abroad on scholarships, placed and chaperoned the visiting students, also promoted faculty exchanges. In its first 25 years the Institute placed 2,046 Europeans and Asiatics and 1,131 Latin Americans in U. S. universities,

sent 2,344 U. S. students abroad.

Last May Duggan, at 75 keen-eyed, white-bearded and talkative, began to look around for a successor. Last week, beaming Stephen Duggan announced that the man had been found. It was his son.

Able, scholarly Laurence Duggan, 41, former chief of the State Department's Division of the American Republics, had been chosen for the \$15,000 job, not by his father but by a special committee (among the members: CBS Vice President Edward R. Murrow, Barnard's Dean Virginia Gildersleeve). Duggan *père* attended the meetings as secretary, was chosen to notify his successor. Larry was afraid his father had railroaded his appointment. Said he: "Dad, I'd rather hear about it from someone else."

Young Duggan will find student scholarships again a one-way street, but with the signs reversed. This year the Institute has brought nearly 1,000 foreign students to the U. S., sent only 65 U. S. students abroad. Reason: few U. S. students want to go to Latin American universities and Dr. Duggan opposed sending them to European universities (which are clamoring for them) until Europe's rebuilding has progressed further. So far, attempts to arrange exchanges with Russia have failed."

## *A School And An Ideal*



THE City College is completing one hundred years of service to the City, the state, and the nation. In June of 1847 the farsseeing people of New York City voted to establish a Free Academy. Conceived as a great experiment in free higher public education, from the beginning, the school has justified the hopes of its founders. A noted foreigner, commenting on American culture, said re-

Yet The City College has differed from other colleges and universities in two important and significant respects.

Most of the colleges founded in that stirring period when a young nation affirmed the beliefs in education earlier expressed by George Washington and Thomas Jefferson were privately endowed denominational schools, although a few land-grant institutions were established by states. Later, under the Morrill Act of 1862, the federal government gave liberal donations, in the form of land and money, to state colleges. State legislatures proudly swelled the budgets and increased the facilities available to the rising new universities. The City College, on the other hand, is the child of the City of New York. Its classrooms and laboratories have been built and equipped solely by the City; the salaries of its teaching and administrative staff and the cost of its maintenance are borne by the annual city budget. This is a fact in which New Yorkers may justly take pride, but because of financial limitations the City's funds unfortunately provide little more than the bare bones of an academic education.

The second way in which The City College differs from most of its contemporaries is in its uncompromising and unswerving adherence to the principle of freedom of education for all who deserve it. Ability has remained the sole criterion of acceptance at The City College—ability determined objectively, without regard to race or creed or financial status. In this respect it has set the standard for other city colleges and for schools all over the country. It has stood out as a beacon to those who fervently hope for the day when all young people with the capacity to benefit from college education will have full opportunity to obtain one. Thousands of grateful graduates know



The original City College building, 23rd Street and Lexington Avenue. This was replaced in 1907 by the present buildings on St. Nicholas Heights.

cently: "The two greatest contributions of America to world thinking are the ideas of democracy and free public education. The first is not possible without the second." Within the broader framework of American education The City College has played so unique and influential a role, that 1947 may be regarded as the centennial year for free higher education throughout America.

that if it had not been for The City College, they would never have obtained an education. If ever a school and an ideal were inseparable, they are The City College and free Higher education!

### *The College and the City*

The City College has travelled a long road since the fateful day when the first class, some one hundred and forty apprehensive young men, gathered in the chapel of the newly built Free Academy at Twenty-third Street and Lexington Avenue, and met the ten learned and austere men who were to be their teachers. In those days the school was above the center of population, and 42nd Street was a suburb. It was so long ago in our city's history that the boys could go home "across lots," and steal away for a half hour's plunge in "the old swimmin' hole," New York's then unfrequented East River!

But as the young giant, the City of New York, expanded astonishingly in the years before the turn of the century, so did its college grow in achievement and responsibility. In 1866 the school was identified more closely than ever with the community when its name was changed to The College of the City of New York. And it has been truly just that. From the time of the first graduating class of 1853 the College has conferred degrees and diplomas on over 42,000 men and women. Many additional thousands have availed themselves of the opportunity to take courses in the day, the evening, and the summer sessions.

### *The Record of Its Graduates*

One of the best measures of the work of an institution of higher learning is the success of its students after graduation. The roll of its prominent alumni is symbolic of the contributions it has made to American life. Among their number is Felix Frankfurter '02, Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court; Robert F. Wagner '98, U. S. Senator from New York (Phi Sigma Kappa); Bernard

M. Baruch '89, advisor to six U. S. presidents; General George Goethals '77, builder of the Panama Canal; Judge Samuel Rosenman '15; adviser to President Franklin D. Roosevelt; Upton Sinclair '97, novelist; Cleveland Abbe '57, founder of the U. S. Weather Bureau; Alexander Smallens '09, Philharmonic Orchestra conductor; and others too numerous to mention who have left their imprint on the national scene.

### *Contribution to the War Effort*

In the field of World War II activities, the City College program was hailed as a "model which all American colleges should adopt," by Dr. Guy Snively, Executive Director of the American Association of Colleges. The direct contribution of the College to the armed forces consisted of:

More than 16,000 City College students and graduates wore numbers of the armed forces. Over 5,600 of these men had received training from the College's unit of the Reserve Officers Training Corps, which before the war was the largest voluntary unit in the nation. Over 2,000 ROTC graduates served as officers in the war. Nearly 300 City College men were killed in action on all fronts; 850 City College men were decorated for bravery, while 381 also received the Purple Heart for wounds sustained in action. More than thirty City College graduates and faculty members are known to have held key positions in the organization which developed the atomic bomb. At least a hundred other City College men worked on the Manhattan Project in lesser capacities.

More than 20 City College faculty members and graduates were cited for their work in the development of radar and the radio proximity fuze for bombs, rockets and mortars.

The school curriculum was rearranged so as to prepare men for later military life by teaching military skills and technical necessities.

*The Problem the College Faces*

The students who come to The City College do not stroll through wooded country lanes; they are disgorged by crowded, noisy subways, buses, and trolleys. The town does not center about the school; the school is merely set in a portion of the city and is bounded by teeming city streets. The student who attends The City College does not live in a tradition-steeped college dorm; he lives at home and spends a few hours at the College each day. His two worlds, school and home, are sharply separated.

It would be easy for pessimists to throw up their hands and say, "Let's move. Let's seek out a quiet spot far on the outskirts of the city." But The City College is proud to be part and parcel of the city it serves. Indeed, it seeks to be of even greater service to its community. And to achieve this aim it has long recognized the importance of personalizing the school experience of every student, of making him feel he is wanted, not only in the classroom but socially and in discussion groups. It has felt education must be more than a series of assignments, recitations, and tests.

Yet, despite the need for making the school experience an immediate and personal one for every student, the College is confronted today with a crippling lack of facilities. The enrollment of over 9,000 day session and 15,000 afternoon and evening session students strains college facilities to the breaking point. The student who wishes to use the library is disheartened at finding every chair occupied. If he goes to the gymnasium for a workout, he discovers that every basketball, mat, and weight machine is taken. Even in regular periods there is little elbow room for the student to get some healthful exercise. The science laboratories, which have produced so many outstanding men in the past, are almost hopelessly overcrowded. Classes are much larger

than they should be, placing another barrier in the way of intimate personal contact between teacher and student. The teaching staff, harassed by the extra load of work, does not have adequate office space for the discussion of the special needs and problems of individual students. Provision for the social needs of the student body of the College must be made if the school is to maintain the high quality of education of which its alumni are so justly proud. And that provision must come from other sources than the city budget. To alleviate the problem, on this occasion, the completion of a century of service to the community, the City College and the Associate Alumni propose to raise a fund of \$1,500,000 for a Student Center and for Athletics.

Speaking of athletics, although the College has never sponsored them on a "big-time" scale, it has nevertheless made a fine record in some sports. Its lacrosse, fencing, and water polo teams of several years back were among the best in the country. Down the years the Lavender varsity basketball teams have boasted a record which compares favorably with that of any other school from coast to coast. Watch the "Beavers" this season!!

Today, at the beginning of a second century, the words of Townsend Harris, first U. S. Consul General in Japan, president of the New York City Board of Education in 1846, and justly honored chief architect in the movement for the founding of the institution, still reflect the character and the faith in the idea of free higher education embodied in our College.

"OPEN THE DOORS TO ALL —  
LET THE CHILDREN OF THE  
-RICH AND THE POOR TAKE  
THEIR SEATS TOGETHER  
AND KNOW OF NO DISTINC-  
TION SAVE THAT OF INDUS-  
TRY, GOOD CONDUCT, AND  
INTELLECT."

TOWNSEND HARRIS, in 1847



# Bentley's Galley

JULIAN BENTLEY, Beta Triton '30. Formerly with United Press and since 1933 News Editor of *Prairie Farmer* and WLS.



**E**SSEN, Germany—For a hundred years and more the name Krupp has meant steel, munitions, war and death. Consequently, I have been looking forward with great interest to this visit to Essen in the grimy Ruhr valley—home of the Krupps and their enormous factories.

The earliest known Krupp was one Arnold or Arndt Krupp who in the year 1587 left the growing of grapes in the Rhineland and settled in Essen. First he was a small merchant but soon joined the guild of smiths or iron mongers. Thus he established the connection with metals which the family maintained until their plants were finally and utterly smashed by American and British airmen in the spring of 1945. The Krupps, for five generations after Arnold, continued in the iron and steel business but it was not until the period of Friederich Krupp who was born in 1787 that the foundations of the modern munitions works were laid. He pioneered in processing cast steel. He succeeded in producing polished steel rollers and hard dies for use in mints and sold them to various countries. But it was under his

son Alfred that the name of Krupp became world famous—or infamous. Alfred turned his attention to big guns in 1850 and by 1861 had turned out the world's first gun having a steel instead of a bronze barrel. These were used by the German armies in the war against Denmark in 1864. This interested the Czar of Russia and he gave the Krupps a huge order for the new guns. The present managing director of the Krupp works is an Englishman who is in charge of seeing that they are thoroughly liquidated under the Potsdam agreement. He takes delight in telling Russian newspapermen that after all it was Russia that really put the Krupps in the merchant of death business on a profitable basis. The Russians don't think much of this joke.

**T**HE Franco-Prussian war of 1870 was a golden opportunity for the Krupps and they furnished the Kaiser with most of his big artillery. Between that time and the outbreak of the first world war in 1914 the Krupp works steadily expanded. Scores of other companies were bought up and added to the Krupp empire. All told 140 companies were added.

Alfred Krupp died in 1887 and 12,000 workers lined the route of the torchlight funeral procession. The Kaiser sent a representative to the funeral. But in 1902

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(Editor's Note: This is the second galley on Brother Bentley's third overseas broadcasting assignment. Leaving Chicago in early August, he visited Britain, France, Belgium and Germany. (See October 1946 *SIGNET*) He returned to Chicago November 1.)

when Alfred's son Friederich died, the Kaiser came to the funeral in person to honor the man who had helped him furnish the armament for the Reich. It is interesting to note that under the Nazis the Krupps enjoyed similar favors. Hitler knew just as the kaisers before him that when you're planning on war a family like the Krupps can be pretty useful.

The death of Friederich Krupp left the family with no male heir . . . just two girls, Barbara and Bertha. (This was the same Bertha, incidentally, after whom the big gun of the first world war was named—Big Bertha). In 1906 Bertha Krupp married a German diplomat named Gustav von Bohlen and Halbach. His experience ought to be a severe lesson to anyone who wants to marry for money. Because if he had not married Bertha Krupp he probably would not now be classed as a war criminal awaiting trial as soon as his illness permits him to enter an Allied court.

Gustav had to agree to add the name Krupp to his name before the family would allow Bertha to marry him. That is why he is known as Gustav Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach. Bertha herself is living in Austria. Two of their sons were killed in the war, one was arrested by the Russians in Rumania, another by the Americans when they captured the Krupp mansion at Essen.

**I** SPENT a morning at the Krupp mansion where the North German Coal Control commission now has its headquarters. A word about this huge and gloomy mansion may be interesting. Old Alfred Krupp designed it himself and began building it in 1870. In his plans he counted upon guests from all countries and upon kings and emperors being frequently with him. To quote him the house therefore "had to contain halls and reception rooms of princely dimensions fit for the most illustrious com-

pany end of quote. I can tell you it has huge dimensions. The main entrance hall reminds you of a fair sized railroad station waiting room. The ceiling is about 40 feet high, the walls are heavily panelled in dark wood and are lined with portraits of the Krupp family. Thick rugs are on the floors. Ascending the huge winding staircase you see the walls lined with tapestries, some of which, we were told, are priceless. On the second floor of the Villa Hugel (pronounced EEg-el hard g) as the Krupp house is called, are more enormous rooms, with heavy carved oak doors swung in marble doorways. Huge hand wrought brass handles and hinges are mounted on the doors, the walls and ceilings of the rooms are done in intricately carved wooden panelling and they are lighted by great chandeliers and ornate candelabra. We sat down at a long mahogany table in a kind of baronial breakfast room with marble fireplaces, red wall paper and huge heavy furniture. It is difficult to describe the effect of the outlandish expenditures of money that is everywhere apparent in the Krupp mansion. There can be nothing so simple as a plain table leg, for example. It had to be done with the most intricate sort of wood carving. The library of the mansion contains some 60,000 volumes devoted to a wide variety of subjects and printed in many languages. There is a private swimming pool and 40 or 50 huge guest rooms including one where the Kaiser used to stay when visiting the Krupps. Old Alfred was a man who hated drafts and he designed a ventilation system intended to keep the house filled with air from the nearby woods without opening any windows. Old Krupp had trees from all over Germany transplanted to the grounds. He did not buy single trees—he bought entire avenues of them and brought them in the winter with their roots encased in frozen earth. This, of course, cost a lot of money, but money was the

least of the Krupps' worries. What he finally achieved for his money was a huge square house of incredible ugliness, especially on the inside. The Allied officers who have their headquarters there find it gloomy and oppressive. They told us of the problems of coal production in the Ruhr which we covered in an earlier broadcast. We had luncheon in the huge main dining room. We sat at a table sixty feet long which was covered by a single linen table cloth. The so-called great of many lands had been entertained at this board. Today the talk was of coal tonnages, production per man per day, absenteeism, the wearing out of mining machinery and the effort to deliver the amount of coal to the four occupying powers which was decided upon at the Potsdam conference.

AFTER luncheon we drove from the Krupp estate down into the grimy town of Essen, home of the great Krupp plants. The results of American and British bombing are everywhere apparent. Block after block is smashed and as you approach the plants themselves you see that bombing reached the saturation point. It seemed odd that the round chimneys were still standing amid the many square miles of wastelands, of twisted, rusting steel, huge piles of brick and concrete, tottering walls and ruined shells of buildings ghostly against the sky. But it was explained to us that the round chimneys were more or less streamlined against bomb blast and could withstand it where square buildings and flat walls crumpled and collapsed.

The once smoky skies over Essen are clear now, with only two chimneys smoking. They are in a power plant being used to supply current for the town and for the wrecking operations of the plants. We visited only one plant—the Gustahlfabrik works, a steel plant which covered five square miles. The methodical Germans had kept a record of every Ameri-

can and British raid, noting the date, the time, the number of bombs and the type that fell, their location and whether or not there were any unexploded bombs still left. These charts were of great help to the Americans and British when they moved in and took over.

WE picked our way carefully through the ruins of the huge steel plant. The roof was almost entirely open to the sky and the floor was a mass of ruined machinery, great lathes, presses and steel stamping machines. But you could still make out where the production lines had once turned out the weapons of war. You could still see the time clocks punched by the workers and still read the safety and speed-up slogans on the walls. Here we saw the biggest guns ever turned out. These were the 32 inch Sevastapol siege guns. When the Germans were trying to subdue the forts at Sevastapol in southern Russia, they called for these monstrous guns which would fire a shell 32 inches in diameter a distance of 22 miles. The Krupps were called in on the job. The German artillery experts thought they would have to fire at least 50 shells. The Krupps said they believed they could turn out a gun that could fire 25 times before it was used up. They agreed to build two of them which were to be hauled on a double railroad track all across Europe to the Crimea in south Russia. And here is a rather frightening fact. The Krupps built a gun so good and with such fine steel that they were able to fire it one hundred times before it was worn out! So it was not necessary to haul the second gun east. The first one did the job.

In this plant also were the new gun turrets for the German pocket battleship Gneisenau. They were to mount sixteen inch guns and furthermore the turrets were to swing around a full circle. The British expert now in charge of the Krupp plant said this: "We have to ad-



mit that the Krupps knew how to make steel ball bearings better than anyone else. For no other Navy in the world had gun turrets of this size that could swing round a full circle. The reason was no one but these Krupps could turn out the ball bearings that would stand the strain."

**W**ELL, the gun turrets were never delivered. The great combined American and British air raid of March, 1945, finally smashed the plant and sent bombs right thru the gun turrets as they awaited the finishing touches.

We may hope that the world has seen the last of the weapons of destruction turned out by the Krupps. The Potsdam agreement decreed that every war plant in Germany should be destroyed. Some Krupp plants which produce purely peace time goods may be allowed to continue. But the payroll of 86,000 workers has now been reduced to 17,000. Of these 5,000 are working for the city of Essen, cleaning up the rubble. Three thousand are dismantling a steel factory which will go to Russia as reparations under the Potsdam agreement. Three thousand others are working in the locomotive repair shops. The other six thousand include workers in a dental equipment plant, office workers, watchmen and caretakers.

What the Big Four finally decide about Essen only time will tell. But it will take years and years even to clear away the wreckage. It's safe to say that the Krupps are kaput.

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**Ferdinand B. Peike**, Beta Deuteron '13, who has a well-established dental practice in Carrington, North Dakota, wrote *THE SIGNET* that he served both as president and secretary of the North Dakota State Dental Association and that he was also chairman of the State Dental Health Committee for a number of years. He writes that the best duck hunting can be found in North Dakota.



#### IRZYK RECEIVES TYPICAL VET AWARD

"We were glad to have been able to welcome Brother Schoening and Brother Gott who came here November 26 to present our President, Arthur Irzyk, with an award for having been chosen "Typical Phi Sigma Kappa Veteran." Brother Rand, better known by the brothers as "Chi '12", introduced Brother Schoening. Brother "Pop" Clark, '88, also honored us with a few words. Other Alpha alumni present at the dinner party were Brothers R. Jackson, R. Cutting, R. Hawley, R. Verbeck, P. Smith and F. Sears." Alpha *SIGNET* correspondent. Editor's Note: The correspondent neglected to tell you that Alpha served a grand turkey dinner for the occasion.

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#### ALPHA TRITON RECEIVES MEMORIAL GIFT

Alpha Triton Chapter was the recipient last autumn of a gift of \$1,800.00 from the father of one of the brothers of Alpha Triton Chapter who paid the supreme sacrifice in World War II.

An account of the unveiling of the Alpha Triton memorial plaque to the memory of the four brothers of Alpha Triton who lost their lives in World War II is published on page 109 of this *SIGNET*.

Alpha Triton used the gift of \$1,800.00 to purchase double-decker beds, chests, desks, chairs and other study room furniture for the chapter house.

# Small Town

## A Book Review



By

ROBERT C. WHITFORD  
Zeta  
Editor, Good Reading

This is one of the books "to be chewed and digested." It is not rich and sweet, to be approached and enjoyed daintily like a meringue for dessert. It is not confused like hash or rank and thick and oily like onion soup; nor is it spicy. It is more like good red corned beef with horseradish on the side. The solid meat is in the author's description and analysis of real conditions in a real American community of which he has been a member for several years. The irritating but stimulating condiment is autobiographical, too much about his being an "intellectual" (he uses the word nine times on page 266) and therefore not being properly appreciated by the villagers because there is a gulf between the *intelligentsia* and other people. As a native of a small town I resent the condescending attitude of Mr. Hicks toward the natives of the little place he calls "Roxborough." At the same time I admire the persistent public spirit he has displayed in serving his community whether it desired his service or not. And I respect his courage in writing slightly disguised but honest sketches of many of his neighbors and continuing to live

in their midst. Any bright Harvard man with an observing eye, a good ear for dialectal twangs, and a fluent typewriter could do a sociological study of a group of rural New Yorkers; it takes a brave one to write up his own town and townsmen. My private prophecy is that within the year *Small Town* will top the best-seller lists and the Hickses will move away from Roxborough.

The book opens with a pleasant account of the author's share in events in his small York State community during one week in the autumn of 1945. The tone appears in the descriptive generalization: "The whole look of the place was informal and a little unkempt—like the kitchen of an easy-going but really not slovenly housekeeper." Then there are two chapters about who Granville Hicks is and how he happened to settle just east of Troy. Another section treats instructively of the historical background of Roxborough and most of its inhabitants. Here and in the succeeding discussion of "The Mind of Roxborough" the author deals gracefully and ingeniously with material that a mere researcher in the field of history or sociology might have presented in dull, grim statistics. The small-town mentality is shown to be quite up to the average in

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*Small Town* By Granville Hicks 276 pp. New York; The Macmillan Company \$3.00.

range and alertness, and the human nature as faulty and as remarkable as that of our metropolitan communities, including Brooklyn. The strongest chapter is that entitled cheerfully "The Future of the Town." The substance of it is a comparison of conditions in Roxborough with those in other small communities visited by Mr. Hicks or described by other social investigators in various parts of the United States.

The prime question to which the preliminary material leads up is: Can the town survive? The answer is a conditional affirmative; though federal and state government will take over most of the functions of local administration, the neighborly community can persist. In order to live, however, it must have an economic basis for a standard of living comparable to that of the cities and it must provide group activities that will bring the townspeople close together.

A discussion of "The Burden on the Schools" includes the sage remark that "propaganda serves in the short run, but only education can lay the basis of stability." It also includes in a conspicuous place the assertion that "universal compulsory education hasn't been a great success." Another debatable proposition is that "the high school does its job, not by the courses it offers but by the opportunities it provides for the creation of a society of adolescents." But it is easy to forgive the sophisticated author his half-truths and breezy generalizations for the sake of his frank declaration, "I like living in a small town."

From this confession we may draw an optimistic inference for post-War America. Mr. Hicks, who used to plan logically for a radical change in our economic and social system, now places his reliance on "the small town's transcendent virtue—neighborliness." His confidence is very persuasive. Between extreme individualism and extreme governmental regulation, there must surely be a practical, just, and friendly middle course

for fellow citizens who are sincerely neighborly.

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### WHITFORD EDITS "GOOD READING"

Robert Calvin Whitford, Director of Students and head of the department of English in Long Island University, was graduated from C.C.N.Y. in 1912. In his senior year he was president of Zeta Chapter, class poet, and managing editor of *College Mercury*. After earning the A.M. at Columbia University he taught a year at the University of Maine before going to the University of Illinois, where he was a full-time instructor while continuing his study for the Ph.D. He affiliated with Alpha Deuteron chapter in Champaign and later was influential in the establishment of Beta Triton at Knox College, where he taught for nine years. He has been associated with Long Island University since 1928. His publications include a number of textbooks and technical articles, prepared alone or in collaboration, and he is at present editor of *Good Reading*, a general bibliography published by the Committee on College Reading for the National Council of Teachers of English. He is a member of several professional societies, including the New York Academy of Public Education. He was one of the recipients of the Alumni Service Award of the Associate Alumni of C.C.N.Y. in 1936.

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### ROLFE NAMED TORONTO COACH

Robert "Red" Rolfe, Tau '31, former basketball coach at Yale University, was named coach of the Toronto Club of Basketball Association of America on December 9, 1946. He started his new duties immediately. Rolfe is also coach for the New York Yankees, for which club he played third base for nine years, participating in six world series. His basketball team is now leading the league.

# Phi Sigma Kappa

By RALPH J. WATTS

(Continued from October 1946 SIGNET)

## THE 1930 CONVENTION — AMHERST AND BOSTON

THE 1930 Convention was held at Amherst and Boston, as guest of the New England chapters. In many respects this was the outstanding convention of the decade, since it brought to the birthplace of the Fraternity, one or more delegates from every chapter.

The opening session was held out of doors on the beautiful campus of Massachusetts State College and was addressed by Dean Machmer, Past Chancellor Root, Charles Sumner Howe, and Founder Brooks. A poem to the founders written in 1923 by Rand was, in his absence at this Convention, read and a further dedicatory ceremony took place at the memorial tablet.

Following the luncheon which was served in the Memorial Building by the alumni club of Amherst, the delegates proceeded to Boston by automobile and bus, stopping for tea at the chapter house at Worcester.

The business sessions, followed essentially the program of previous Conventions.

Brooks who was now the only surviving Founder, attended the sessions in Boston as well as in Amherst and participated actively in the discussion of Convention business and as always, was received with a reverent respect.

The most important legislation of the Convention centered around the report of the recess committees which had been working on the problems of the legal status of the fraternity and upon the revision of the By-laws made necessary by the conclusions of the Legal Committee.

SCHOENING as Chairman of the Legal Committee submitted the following report: "The members of the Legal Committee examined the laws of the forty-eight states of the Union, presented written reports of their examinations and discussed the same at two conferences; one being held in Philadelphia on April 11, 1929, and the other in New York on November 29, 1929. The Committee determined that the two states best suited for the incorporation of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa are New York and Kentucky. The Committee decided that it was preferable to amend our present corporate charter in New York State rather than dissolve our corporate status in New York and incorporate in Kentucky. Consequently the Legal Committee recommended to the Council at its meeting in New York City on November 30, 1929, that the charter of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa be amended to meet existing requirements."

Following the adoption of the report of the Legal Committee and the approval of the amended charter, Schoening for the Committee on By-laws presented the proposed revisions in printed form. The new By-laws were read section by section and many were discussed at length, particularly that section wherein active membership was defined. No radical reforms were proposed in the revised By-laws which clarified previous legislation and brought the administration of the fraternity into harmony with requirements of the amended charter.

In the By-laws, as amended, was included the requirement that chapter financial officers be bonded and that plans for the acquisition of chapter houses first be pre-



THETA DEUTERON CHAPTER HOUSE

sented to the Council for approval. The purpose of this By-law was to prevent unsound building commitments which in recent years had been the cause of chapter difficulties at Madison and elsewhere. This By-law, however, has in general been disregarded by the chapters.

THE purpose and the desirability of expansion of the Endowment Fund was again discussed and the necessity of modifying various phases of the secret rituals was considered.

The Secretary reported that since the previous Convention, new chapter houses had been acquired at West Virginia (see page 56), Maryland, California, Minnesota (see page 89), and Oregon Agricultural College, and further reported that 80% of the chapters were then occupying homes provided by their alumni.



JOSEPH H. BATT

Many of the chapters had built or purchased houses which were too expensive to maintain and this practice, which had been pursued for a decade, was later to weaken materially many of the chapters.

The convention banquet was presided over by Burrows and the principal addresses were made by Rear Admiral Earle of Worcester Polytechnic Institute and By Horace R. Barnes.

At this Convention every chapter was represented.

There were now twenty-one active alumni clubs, twelve of which were officially represented at the 1930 Convention.

This period marked the decline in the interest of locals in petitioning for recognition in Phi Sigma Kappa. The petition from the Agathon Club of Purdue University (Delta Triton Chapter) was presented with the approval of the Council and

was granted by the Convention. This petition had been before the Council since 1922, and the chapter was to become one of the strongest units in our fraternity.

The effects of the economic collapse which began in October, 1929, had not yet manifested themselves in any alarming manner, although it is not improbable that the smaller number of petitions from locals was a reflection of the trends of the time.

BATT had made an excellent President. Possessing unusual qualities as an administrator and benefiting by a legal training, he had made a distinctive record as the chief executive of Phi Sigma Kappa. He had met the difficult problems which had developed at our chapters at Wisconsin, Yale and Beta (Albany) with firmness, courage and fairness, and had discharged his numerous obligations with tact and efficiency. The 1930 Convention would gladly have re-elected him had he not insisted upon retiring, urging that the President should hold office for but one term.

Horace R. Barnes was chosen as the chief executive for the ensuing biennium.

## COVER PICTURE

THE SIGNET has selected a picture of Joe Buscemi, Alpha Deuteron '48, stellar Illini end, for its cover picture. He played hard on a team that had a difficult schedule in its own conference and which reached the peak of its power and performance in the Rose Bowl. Joe is 5 feet, 10 inches tall and weighs 180 pounds. His home is in Rockford, Illinois and he is a junior in the College of Education.

Joe was co-captain of the West High team at Rockford, coached by Milo Wilson, Illinois '41. He entered Illinois in the autumn of 1942 and played on the freshman team. Upon joining the Marines in 1942 Brother Buscemi was sent

to Purdue under the Navy V-12 program where he played end for Purdue. This Purdue team was undefeated in nine games and shared the Big Nine championship with Michigan.

Joe also played at Pearl Harbor with such stars as Negus and Remebohm of Wisconsin and Signiago, Gasper, and Urban of Notre Dame, whom he later played against last autumn. While at Pearl Harbor he also played against George McAfee of Chicago Bear fame and Bill Dudley and Jack Jacobs.

Brother Buscemi has also been voted Captain of the 1946 All Phi Sigma Kappa Football Team.



### ROSE BOWL

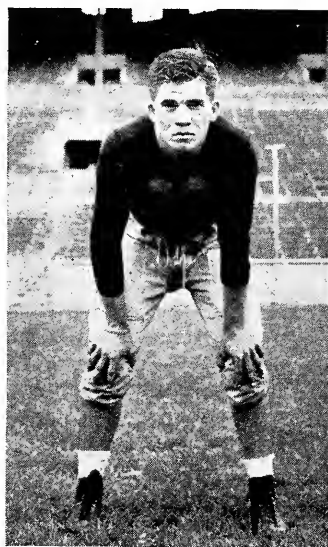
Joe Buscemi, Alpha Deuteron '48 in left fore-ground blocks out Mathews and Tinsley of UCLA as Young carries the ball to Illinois' second touchdown in the Illini 45-14 rout of UCLA.



# 1946 ALL PHI SIGMA KAPPA FOOTBALL TEAM

**Φ Σ Κ**

*Quarterback*  
**TOM STEWART**  
Alpha Deuteron—Illinois



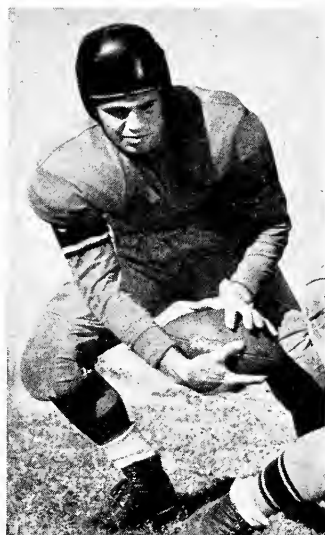
*Right End*  
**FRANK BAUMAN**  
Alpha Deuteron—Illinois



*Right Tackle*  
**BOB McCLURE**  
Eta Deuteron—Nevada



*Right Halfback*  
**BERT ALLINGER**  
Theta Deuteron—Oregon State



*Right Guard*  
**BOB DUNGAN**  
Theta Deuteron—Oregon State







*Left Halfback*  
LLOYD RUDE  
Eta Deuteron—Nevada



*Fullback*  
BILL MACRIDES  
Eta Deuteron—Nevada

*Center*  
JAY RHODEMYRE  
Phi Deuteron—Kentucky

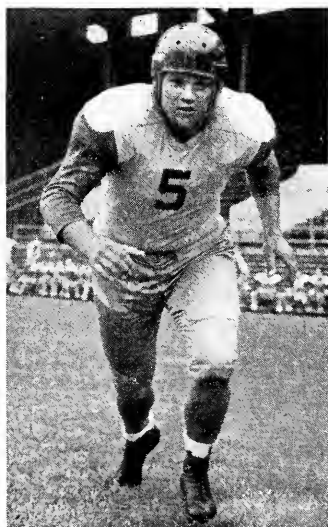


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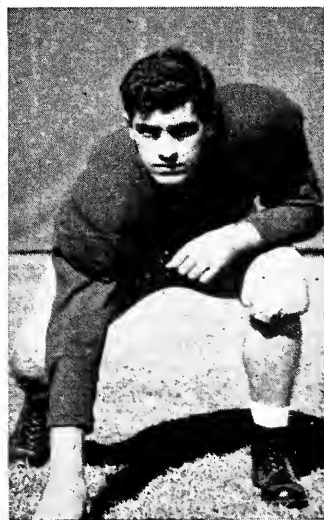
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PAT HEHER  
Eta Deuteron—Nevada



*Left Tackle*  
GEORGE SAVITSKY  
Mu—Pennsylvania

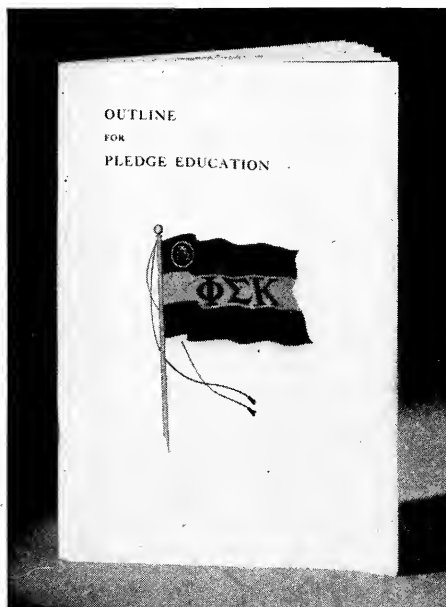


*Captain and Left End*  
JOE BUSCEMI  
Alpha Deuteron—Illinois



## NEW EDITION OF PLEDGE MANUAL

The seventh edition of the Phi Sigma



Kappa Outline for Pledge Education, authorized by the Council and edited by the Editor of THE SIGNET, Earl F. Schoening, has just come off the presses and is now ready for distribution.

The new edition incorporates all the features of its predecessor, including both the section on Phi Sigs currently in the news and chapter houses. 2500 of them were printed; 1500 copies of the run are bound with paper covers saddle-stitched; 1000 copies are case-bound, the cover of the latter coming in white cloth upon which is printed in color the Phi Sigma Kappa flag of silver and magenta. A glassine wrapper is provided to protect the cover. The paper-bound copies are provided the chapters gratuitously, whereas the case-bound copies are sold to the chapters and are in compliance with the recommendation coming from several of the Conclaves that the Outline for Pledge Education be a case-bound book.



## Gridiron Stars

from

Alpha  
Massachusetts State



BERNARD STEAD  
*Left End*



GILDO SANTIN  
*Quarterback*

# What Is Right For My Fraternity

(Dinner Address to Region Four Conclave)

By HERBERT L. BROWN, *Phi '16, President of The Grand Chapter*

What I want to do is to discuss with you quite informally certain aspects of fraternities in general, and of Phi Sigma Kappa in particular, which have given me cause for deep concern. My theme shall not be, "my fraternity right or wrong, my fraternity," but rather "what is right for my fraternity."

During the last several decades, there has appeared upon the horizon of intellectual training a new guiding star—a sort of academic planet which, for want of a better term, I am going to call Realism. Our institutions of higher education, yes even our secondary schools, have adopted it as an intellectual watchword which has gradually overrun the boundaries of the academic state, and has invaded to some degree the sphere of all human relationships.

Let me make it clear that I do not take issue with this philosophy of realism which teaches us that we must consider things as they actually are—not what we might like them to be. I am not so reactionary as to believe it does not have the value in academic training which its proponents give to it. I believe that it is a sign of progress of the human race that certain dogmas and ideologies must give way to the onslaught of such a philosophy. What concerns me is the wide-spread tendency among the realists to regard every form of human relationship as a fertile field for their doctrine. In short, some of them cover every thing from the cradle to the grave and perhaps even more.

I cannot agree with those who would indoctrinate the intellect with this philosophy of realism while denying the efficacy of Idealism as a guide to human success and happiness. In other words, we are too frequently told that we cannot

be realistic and idealistic at the same time, not only in the training of the intellect, but in our day by day association with our fellow man. To be sure, the way life is geared today, it is perhaps more practical to be realistic in our concept of intellectual advancement, but I cannot concede that life has become so complex that ideals do not have their proper place in the attainment of happiness and success.

Since time immemorial ideals have successfully served as an inspiration in all phases of life—in the home, in the church, in business, and in the closest forms of human relationship. Perhaps in no association of man with his fellow man is the value of idealism so clearly defined as in our fraternity life. The history of virtually every fraternity narrates that certain ideals formed the basis for the founding of that society—ideals which were designed to make finer, more successful and more highly regarded men of its members. Our realist friends may scoff at these ideals as being merely so much "window dressing" and impossible of attainment. We grant that it may be impossible to realize them one hundred percent, but they represent a goal certainly worthy of our striving, and in the striving we cannot fail to produce men better equipped to take their places in the human family because of their earnest attempts to meet the challenge of these ideals.

From time to time I have listened to fraternity discussions in the chapter meetings, in our Council meetings, in our Conclaves and even in the National Interfraternity Conferences, and I have noted the emphasis placed upon the material things of fraternity life—house management, commissary management, chapter house financing, social functions,

even beer parties etc., etc. But I have been appalled at the lack of interest in such factors as scholarship (in some instances), character building, rituals, moral and ethical training, and the other intangibles that constitute our fraternity idealism.

It is imperative that fraternities give greater attention to fundamentals—especially to those basic principles which, if adhered to, can make these associations a valuable and indispensable adjunct to our higher educational system.

In our own fraternity our belief is proclaimed by our Creed; our aims and purposes are declared in our Cardinal Principles. If we accept them as such we must practice them in our fraternity life, and we must teach our pledges their importance. I recognize the necessity for giving the proper attention to the material things which I have mentioned—and at this particular time when fraternity membership is in a buyer's market, it is a great temptation to build up huge chapters, erect fine houses, throw luxurious parties and otherwise splurge for the edification of those who look solely at the superficial aspects of fraternity life. Yet we cannot afford to forget nor ignore our idealism; else we sink to the level of mere social clubs which have no true justification for existence on our college campuses. If we are to produce men of character, men of vision, men of purpose, who are better equipped to take their place in society and in the business and professional world because of having been Phi Sigs, we must keep moral and ethical values and our idealisms paramount in our concept of fraternity.

To those of you who would ask "Just how are we to go about impressing the importance of our idealism upon our members?" I would offer these suggestions as a formula:—

(1) Select leaders who have the proper concept of, and interest in our idealism—men who by their very example, personal magnetism and unquestioned char-

acter, can earn the respect and support of even the most recalcitrant member.

(2) Indoctrinate your pledges right from the start with our aims and purposes, our three Cardinal Principles. Make them the most vital part of pledge training.

(3) Insist upon regular attendance at chapter meetings and reserve a portion of each meeting, either for a general serious discussion of these ideals, or at least for reading a portion of the Constitution and by-laws pertaining thereto.

(4) In your daily chapter house routine, let no opportunity pass to put into practice these Cardinal Principles, making it incumbent upon each member to live by them and to see that his fellow members do likewise.

(5) Finally—and this applies to our entire fraternity structure—let us make these principles our guiding star. As such they should be the foundation of our initiatory ritual. If they are not, that ritual should be revised as speedily as possible, to the end that these ideals shall be impressed graphically, effectively and permanently upon the minds of the initiates, by a dramatic exemplification of their application in our fraternity life.

You may say "all very idealistic, but impractical." In challenging this statement, I challenge you to give this formula an honest trial over a reasonable period of time.

Along with the expansion program to which we are committed, your national officers are determined to give you a fraternity of which you can justly be proud, but you—each individual and each chapter—are an integral part of it, and we look to you to do your part, to the end that Phi Sigma Kappa shall assume its rightful place among the leaders of college fraternities. Then we can proudly say that we are making "her fair name brighter than the jewels of her emblems and are wearing those emblems above reproach."

### AUTHORITY ON COLOMBIA

PHANOR JAMES EDER was born December 11, 1880 in the Republic of Colombia, South America, where his father was U. S. Consul and owner of a plantation. His preliminary education was in private schools in England, public school No. 87, New York City, and C.C.N.Y. (A.B. 1900), having interrupted the course by a year's study at the school of law of the University of Liege, Belgium. After an LL.D. degree (Harvard 1903), he entered on the general practice of law, later specializing in corporation, private international and Spanish-American law, acting as counsel for American interests in Latin America and for Latin-American legations, consulates and private interests in the United States. From 1917 to 1922, he was engaged in banking, as secretary and vice-president of Mercantile Bank of the Americas, a world-wide organization. Since 1922, he has been a partner of Hardin, Hess & Eder, of New York, and of Hardin & Hess, of Mexico City. He passed on a great many of the foreign loans floated in the New York market in the '20s and assisted in currency, banking and other law reforms in Latin America. He was counsel in the Gold clause cases before the Supreme Court of the U. S. and in England.

Of later years he has been financially interested in sugar, mining and manufacturing companies operating in Latin America, especially in Colombia. He is a director, or represented on the boards of South American Gold & Platinum Co. and its subsidiaries, Potrero Sugar Co., Ingenio Manuelita, S. A., Industrias Metálicas de Palmira, S. A., Pan American Trade Development Co. and several other companies of lesser importance.

He has published "The Mining Laws of Colombia" (1912); "Colombia" in the South American Series (1913); "Foreign and Home Law" (1916); and is a frequent contributor to law reviews, es-

pecially on topics of money and banking, and comparative and foreign law. Much of his time has been devoted to the furtherance of interest in comparative and international law, as editor of the Comparative Law Bureau, vice-chairman and director of the Comparative Law section of the American Bar Association, chairman of the Foreign Law Committees of the City Bar Association and N. Y. County Lawyers Association, president of the American Branch of the International Law Society, and an active participant in international and comparative law congresses, in the Inter-American Bar Association and in the recent organization of the International Bar Association.

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### 'WAR OF THE VEGETABLES'

According to the Pomona College Bulletin Howry H. Warner, Chi '13, was called into the governor's office at Honolulu shortly after 11 o'clock the morning of December 7, 1941 and was put in charge of the food import control program for the territory of Hawaii. This was one of the governor's first acts after declaring the Hawaiian Islands under martial law.

It was also the beginning of a series of wartime "south seas farmer" experiences for Howry, who was finally released from government service early in 1946, after almost four years of emergency duty.

Howry's first war assignment, that of director of food import control for the islands, came as the result of his pre-Pearl Harbor activities when, as head of the Agricultural Extension Service for Hawaii, he was a consultant for many years with the Navy concerning emergency food production in case the territory was cut off from the mainland shipping lanes.

For a year and a half he directed food control. He then returned to his agri-

cultural extension work with the University of Hawaii, but was shortly called back to government work as Board of Economic Warfare representative in the Pacific Islands. At the time our forces were still fighting on Guadalcanal, and the long island-hopping campaigns in the Pacific were in the future.

Operating under Navy authority, the Economic Warfare group developed vegetable farms in Fiji, New Caledonia, New Hebrides, and Guadalcanal. And later, as the Japs were pushed toward their homeland, Howry and his vegetable planters moved into New Georgia, Bougainville, Guam, Tinian, and Saipan.

About 25,000 tons of fresh vegetables were grown for men in the forward area hospitals. On Guadalcanal Warner's crew laid out a 2,000 acre garden, where according to Howry, "it was mud, sweat, and gears." Thirty days after the first troops landed on Guam, Howry had his plows, tractors, and packets of seeds ashore, and soon established not only a truck-farm, but also a 65-cow dairy, which later supplied milk to the wounded men who were brought back from Iowa Jima and Okinawa.

In addition to his farming operations, Howry set up, at the request of the Navy, copra buying expeditions in the Marshalls and a program for organizing and developing native handicrafts in order to help reestablish the native economy. His travels took him to Ulithi, Yap, Fais, Anguar, Peliliu, Koror, and finally to Truk where he was one of the eleven Americans who went ashore two weeks after the Japs had surrendered aboard a U. S. cruiser. Though considerably outnumbered by the 35,000 Japanese troops on Truk at the time, Howry's party had no trouble. "They were too hungry to make trouble," Howry explained.

Howry has returned to the University of Hawaii agricultural extension service.

## MURRAY RECEIVES LEGION OF MERIT

Colonel George J. Murray, Jr., Iota '33, of Alexandria, Virginia, received the Legion of Merit for his distinguished services as Chief of the Air Installations Division, Air Transport Command, Headquarters, Washington, D. C. on October 18, 1946. The presentation was made by Lt. General Raymond A. Wheeler, Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, at his offices in the New War Department Building.

Colonel Murray, a native of New York, received his M. E. from Stevens Institute of Technology, in 1933 and appointed to the United States Military Academy. He was graduated from West Point in the class of '37 and received his Master's Degree in Engineering at Cornell University in 1940. During his tour of duty, prior to his assignment with the ATC in Washington in August of 1944, Colonel Murray served with the 38th Engineers at Ascension Island and Central Africa. He served as Chief Engineer of the Central African Division of ATC from December, 1943 until his return to the U. S.

Brother Murray is a member of the Society of American Military Engineers.

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## DELTA DEUTERON ALUMNI BUST

Annually the week-end before college opens at the University of Michigan, Delta Deuteron Alumni hold their Alumni Bust at the chapter house; the alums take over, and this year more than thirty turned out to spend a perfect week-end. Bob Sullivan performed his job as Bust Chairman in very creditable fashion, despite the difficulties of securing food and service. The Saturday evening dinner was prepared and served by a catering service in excellent style, and, con-

trary to plans, breakfast was served Sunday morning by the regular cook.

Some of the men had to put up with the inconvenience of sleeping on the davenports due to the fact the new mattresses had not arrived in time, but despite this, everyone managed to get a few hours sleep.

Following the usual hectic soft (?) ball game, the bonded liquor was auctioned by Brother Osius. Brother Snider explained that the bottles had been donated by Brother Ernie Briggs shortly before his death, the profits to be donated to the house. The auction, conducted in true professional style, netted \$74.00.

Following dinner, the Corporation held its annual meeting. After the usual business and committee reports, the following men were elected to the Board of Directors: James Park, '37; Charles Block, '39; Lloyd C. Nyman, '34; Russell Walker, '38; Justin C. Weaver, '29; Harold Adler, '39; Fred N. Lyon, '32; Albert Cooper, '34. Brothers A. Colton Park, Robt. Sullivan, Deb Barger, and Lee Moore remain on the Board for one more year.

In the directors' meeting, the following officers were elected: Justin C. Weaver, President; Robert Sullivan, Vice-President; Lloyd C. Nyman, Secretary; Harold Adler, Treasurer.

To A. Colton Park, '35, retiring President, goes the credit for the responsibility that he carried during his term of office. To handle the affairs of both alumni and chapter bodies required a great amount of time and energy, which he gave unstintingly.

### INTERESTING VISITOR

Among the recent visitors to the Delta Deuteron Chapter during football weekends was Representative Albert J. Engel, Congressman from Michigan. Representative Engel is the father of Al Engel, one of the chapter's members. Following the Army game, he displayed

his "short-snorter" on which were inscribed the names of many of the great personalities of the recent conflict, including most of the "top brass". Representative Engel, as will be recalled, visited most of the battle areas as member of the House Committee investigating war expenditure.

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**Arthur F. Bassett**, Delta Deuteron '14, was recently elected Vice President of the National Association of Real Estate Boards. Art is also Past President of the Detroit Real Estate Board and the Michigan Real Estate Board. He holds the position of Vice President in charge of Real Estate of the Detroit Trust Company. His son, Arthur Jr., is now in Ann Arbor at the Delta Deuteron Chapter, enrolled in the school of Architecture.

**John Noud Kelley**, Delta Deuteron '33, is now the Branch Manager of the Indianapolis store of Carson Pirie Scott and Company, the well known Chicago department store. Prior to the war he was with the Noud Lumber Company at Manistique, Michigan. He spent twenty-six months in the Navy before retiring as Lieutenant.

**Lee F. Moore**, Delta Deuteron '36, Treasurer of the Delta Deuteron Alumni Corporation for the past four years, has assumed a new position as Credit Manager with the National Brass Company of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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### JEREMIAH TO COACH DARTMOUTH'S NINE

Edward J. Jeremiah, Tau '30, was appointed varsity baseball coach at Dartmouth college, a post left vacant last fall by the death of Charles (Jeff) Tesreau.

Jeremiah has been hockey coach for the last 10 seasons and assistant baseball coach for seven. He also served as freshman baseball coach for four years.

# Schoening Elected Chairman Secretaries Association

## Largest N. I. C. Meets New Problems

**Y**OUR Editor and Secretary-Treasurer was elected Chairman of the College Fraternity Secretaries Association at its meeting held in conjunction with the National Interfraternity Conference at the Commodore Hotel, New York City, November 29, 1946. Other officers of the Secretaries Association are W. W. Elder, Delta Kappa Epsilon, vice chairman; Harold P. Davison, Theta Xi, secretary-treasurer; Russel Easton, Sigma Chi; Judge L. Z. Rosser, Chi Phi; Arthur B. Waring, Delta Phi; and Lauren Foreman, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, members of the Executive Committee.

Retiring Chairman, Lauren Foreman gave a report of the activities of the Secretaries Association during the past year. Frank C. Baldwin, Counselor of Students, Cornell University was guest of the Secretaries at the luncheon and spoke briefly about the scheduled trip of the Fraternity Secretaries to Cornell to hold an all day meeting as guests of Cornell University on Monday, December 2.

This, the 38th Annual National Interfraternity Conference was attended by eighty-four presidents and deans of men of educational institutions, 126 delegates, 29 alternates, and 15 visitors to make up a total of 308 as against 261 men who attended the sessions last year. Each of the 59 member fraternities of the conference was represented both days.

In distinct contrast to the problems which faced the conference in the past five years were those considered this year, brought on by the tremendous increase of students on fraternity campuses throughout the country.

Realizing that in this unprecedented prosperity there is a menace to the wel-

fare of college fraternities, the National Interfraternity Conference passed unanimously two highly significant resolutions as follows:

"Resolved: That, (1) this conference recognizes the need of extending the opportunity for fraternity membership to those who desire such affiliation. (2) It believes that this purpose can best be accomplished by the chartering of additional chapters of member fraternities. Without barring the creation of new national organizations, the conference recognizes the value of experience and also the benefits to be derived through affiliation with strong national organizations; it therefore believes that the best results will be attained through the expansion of existing fraternities. (3) It suggests that the Executive Committee of the conference through a special committee direct a program for the carrying out of this policy."

"Resolved: That, recognizing that there is great danger of destroying the character of the fraternity chapter as we know it today by increasing its size to numbers greater than fifty, and, appreciating the unusual and necessary temporary increase in the size of the fraternity chapter in the post-war period, this conference recommends that its national fraternity members discourage the continuance beyond the present emergency of such oversized chapters in an effort to maintain the fundamental character and purpose of the fraternity chapter as an opportunity for the development of the principles of brotherhood within its membership."

**I**N addition to these was a third resolution dealing with the right of frater-



nities to select their own members. This follows:

"The American college fraternities and sororities have developed over a period of one hundred and seventy years. Throughout all that time they have exercised their established right to govern themselves and to select their own members. Their proud war records evidence once again the soundness of these democratic rights.

"Originally guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States in prohibiting any abridgment of the right of assembly which embraces the right to form voluntary associations, they have been re-enunciated in the Charter of the United Nations as fundamental freedoms to which every human being is entitled.

"Therefore, the Interfraternity Research and Advisory Council reaffirms the policy of the American college fraternities and sororities in exercising these rights, irrespective of the views of any non-members, as essential human rights."

Again the conference felt the necessity of insisting upon its ban on hazing and hell week practices in the following resolution:

"Resolved: With the earnest conviction that the national fraternity system offers a valuable contribution to the campuses of America, the conference again affirms its belief that hazing and all forms of hell week practices are not properly a part of the national fraternity system, materially detract from its prestige and merit, and afford a reasonable basis of increasing anti-fraternity sentiment in this country, and it asserts that a more vigorous effort should be made by the fraternity members and particularly by the officers to eliminate completely such practices in the current year."

Other resolutions call upon member fraternities to initiate programs of organized chapter house discussions in their respective chapters in an experimental way; affirmed the policy of the National Interfraternity Conference in

respecting the integrity of chapters and individual memberships of fraternities belonging to the Association of Education Fraternities; expressed to the presidents, deans, and other educational officers present at the conference appreciation of their attendance, hearty coöperation, and leadership in promoting fraternity on their respective campuses; paid tribute to Chairman Maurice Jacobs and others who made the conference a success.

A FITTING recognition of the effective service of Miss E. Lilliam Doeringer was made when she was called from the registration table over which she had presided for twenty years to hear a resolution of appreciation passed by a standing vote in the National Interfraternity Conference. Included in the resolution was a similar tribute to Mr. Howard Heitman, who for the nineteenth time was recording the conference session as a stenotypist.

The initial session of the conference heard Chairman Maurice Jacobs, Phi Epsilon Pi, give an impressive review of the activities of the Executive Committee and conference officials. He opened his address with the following statement:

"The problem is no longer one of survival, but of properly integrating this large student body into our present fraternities."

Later in his address he commented as follows:

"After Mrs. Glenn Frank had spoken at the University of Minnesota, a check was made to determine whether her presence had in any way affected the fraternity situation on that campus, and we were pleased to find that in no way had she disturbed fraternity loyalties. The Frank furor has passed in the night, like other attacks on the fraternity system."

There was an echo of the past in his reference to the fact that a chapter of TNE had been reported at a southern

university, but that this organization of unsavory memory had been discouraged. He also paid his respects to those who persist in hell week activities in the following statement:

"It is most discouraging to find that after all of our years of talking and acting against 'hell week' activities, we have not convinced all fraternity leaders that our attitude is correct. A menace to the fraternity system persists in the sophomoric concept of fraternities and of their true functions which is still shown by a few individuals. Their minds seem not to have developed beyond the idea of the fraternity as a high school lark and an organized paddling party. Astonishingly enough, a very few of these members are placed by their own fraternities in situations of influence by appointment to official positions. They are the real enemies of the fraternity as an institution. Fortunately, their childish conceptions are gradually diminishing through constant attack on the part of the better fraternities, abetted by the colleges and the conference, on silly horse-play and 'kid-stuff'."

DEAN Joseph A. Bursley, who has served for seven years as educational adviser to the conference and is retiring from his deanship at the University of Michigan, February 1, included in his annual report the following statement:

"So far as I know, I am the only non-Greek ever to have held office in the conference, and now that I am about to retire and pass on the torch to my successor I want to express to the membership my sincere appreciation of the many courtesies you have extended to me in the past and of your confidence that my recommendations concerning fraternities and their problems have been fair and unbiased, even though you may not have agreed with all of them."

He warned against unusually large, unwieldy chapters as, he said, they have

a tendency to develop cliques and to suffer from conflict and dissension because of crowded conditions. He also recommended that more than ever before house mothers would be of incalculable aid in meeting many of the problems with which fraternities are now faced.

That today college presidents and deans regard the college fraternity as an integral part of the educative program of the college was brought out in a report of the law committee by its chairman, David A. Embury, Acacia. He stated that out of two hundred and seventy-four replies there were only two that could be labeled as definitely antagonistic to fraternities, whereas the great majority indicated definite approval of Greek-letter organizations.

As the result of the passage of an amendment to the constitution, from now on there will be only one secretary in the list of officers for the National Interfraternity Conference. Officers who will serve for the year ahead are the following: chairman, David A. Embury, New York, Acacia; vice chairman, Frank A. Mullen, New York, Alpha Gamma Rho; secretary, Dr. Gilbert W. Mead, president Washington College, Chestertown, Md., Phi Gamma Delta; treasurer, William J. Barnes, Maplewood, N. J., Theta Xi; educational adviser, Dr. Wilbur Cramblet, president Bethany College, Bethany, W. Va., Alpha Sigma Phi; educational adviser emeritus, Dean Joseph H. Bursley, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.; members of Executive Committee: Walter Collins, New York, Psi Upsilon; John C. Olwine, Maplewood, N. J., Chi Phi; Leon C. Stowell, New York, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, class of 1949; Dr. Benjamin Fine, New York, Alpha Epsilon Pi; Frank H. Myers, Washington, D. C., Kappa Alpha Order; Christian A. Natvig, Bronxville, Kappa Sigma, class of 1948; Ben S. Fisher, Washington, D. C., Sigma Chi; Albert E. Paxton, New York, Pi Kappa Alpha;

Dean A. Ray Warnock, State College, Pa., Beta Theta Pi, class of 1947.

The Gold Medal for Distinguished Service rendered "to youth through the American college fraternity" was bestowed upon Lloyd Garfield Balfour and posthumously upon Hamilton Wallace Baker following the luncheon Friday afternoon. Albert S. Baird, Chi Psi, gave the citations. Mr. Balfour is a former national president of Sigma Chi Fraternity and was twice chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference. Mr. Baker, who died June 18, 1946, was a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity and had served as vice chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference. His award was received by Christian A. Natvig.

One of the things which fraternity men need to do, according to Dr. Edgar J. Fisher, Alpha Delta Phi, assistant director of the Institute of International Education, is to make sure that the fraternities contribute very definitely and in new ways to the fundamental academic purposes of the colleges and universities. One of these ways, he pointed out, was to help larger numbers of foreign students to come to the college campuses by providing board and room for them, thus enriching the life of the chapter through the cultural and educational contribution that they might be able to make. Another way he suggested was occasionally to entertain foreign students in fraternity houses. He reported that between forty and fifty thousand students from all over the world wanted to attend educational institutions this year in the United States.

One of the tributes paid at the National Interfraternity Conference went to Dean Floyd Field, Theta Chi, who retired this year as dean of students at Georgia Institute of Technology.

CHESTER W. Cleveland, editor of *The Magazine of Sigma Chi*, was honored at the dinner meeting of the

College Fraternity Editors Association, Friday night, in recognition of his twenty-five years of service as a fraternity editor. Speakers at the dinner included Milton Caniff, who gave preview sketches of the new strip which he is to syndicate at the beginning of the year, and George Starr Lasher, editor of *The Rattle of Theta Chi*. According to the custom established a year ago, Mr. Cleveland was presented with a sterling silver bowl. John Robson, Sigma Phi Epsilon, who succeeded Brother Earl F. Schoening as President of the College Fraternity Editors Association, was Toastmaster.

The new officers of the association are Frank C. Ferguson, Kappa Sigma, president; Harold P. Davison, Theta Xi, vice president; Don M. Gable, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, secretary-treasurer; James C. Hammerstein, Sigma Alpha Mu; Vincent Larcy, Alpha Phi Delta; and John Robson, members of the Executive Committee.

A high tribute was paid to fraternity men by Dr. H. E. Stone, dean of students at the University of California, in discussing "the veteran in college fraternities." He stated that the contribution of fraternity men in the late war has never been questioned; in fact, it is recognized as outstanding and that fraternity men ranked high when leadership qualities were evaluated among young officers.

On November 1, the number of veterans enrolled in American schools and colleges, he said, had increased to 1,292,893 and the number of certificates of eligibility for educational training which had not yet been used to 2,150,000. The Veterans Administration, he reported, estimates that the peak year in college training will be 1949.

AS usual, some of the best thinking and discussion took place in the six round tables Friday afternoon from which came resolutions adopted in the Saturday forenoon session. Valuable ma-

terial also was presented in the form of the printed reports of conference officers and committees.

A report on national costs of fraternities showed the great variance of financial relationships between local chapters and their national organizations, but brought out the fact that no undergraduate member pays into his national organization as much as the annual cost of a golf club membership thus proving that the frequently quoted charge of some college administrators is baseless.

The committee on chapter house discussions urged member fraternities of the conference to initiate programs in their respective chapter houses on an experimental basis and recommended continued study of the project.



KENNETH BUCHANAN

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### **BUCHANAN APPOINTED CHIEF OF STAFF OF ILLINOIS NATIONAL GUARD**

On January 10, 1947 Gov. Green announced his appointment of Brother Kenneth Buchanan, Alpha Deuteron '17, as Colonel of the Illinois National Guard and Chief of Staff for Gen. Haffner, commander of state troops. Col. Buchanan will head the full-time duty staff now being created. He left a position on the general staff corps, headquarters ground forces, at Washington to accept the Illinois appointment.

In March, 1936 Brother Buchanan, then a lieutenant colonel of the Illinois National Guard, was detailed to the War Department general staff in Washington where he served until 1939, when he was made aide to General Marshall, Army Chief of Staff, and while with him made trips to South America and intermediate points. He received the commission of major while with Gen. Marshall, remaining with him until July 1, 1940 when he was detailed as executive officer, National Guard Bureau, War Department. He held this position only a short

time when he was selected to represent all the National Guard on the newly-created General Headquarters, U. S. Army, and on September 15, 1940 was detailed to General Headquarters, U. S. Army, Army War College, Washington. In this capacity Brother Buchanan visited practically all the camps and major units of the Army and in 1941 participated in all the major maneuvers held in the United States. He also visited all the major training camps in Canada.

Upon the United States' entrance into the war Brother Buchanan was assigned to command the 106th Cavalry at Camp Livingston, Louisiana, and in May, 1942 was commissioned Brigadier General and assigned as Assistant Division Commander of the 28th Infantry Division, Camp Livingston, later going overseas, taking part in several European campaigns as Assistant Division Commander of the 9th and 28th Infantry Divisions. (See January, 1943 SIGNET.)

**Leslie E. Murphy**, Lambda '34, served throughout the war with the F.B.I. and is now with Arthur Anderson & Company in Kansas City.



PLEDGE DANCE



HOMECOMING



NEW ACTIVE



BRIDES AND BABIES



# CHAPTERETTES

## DELTA TRITON Purdue University

By DAVE BOLIKER

Due regard must be given to the manner in which our former president Ed Karpick, with the assistance of his associate officers, handled Delta Triton in its initial post-war days here at Purdue University. I know I express the sentiments of all the brothers when I say, "Thanks for a job well started."

Yes, "well started"; and now the gavel is in the capable hands of Claus Nacke. To help him we have elected Jim Comella as vice-president, Jack Halladay as secretary, Dave Shook as sentinel, and Dave Boliker as inductor. The treasurer's spot is still "Honest" Chuck Foster's. It is going to be the job of these new officers to see that the work of their predecessors hasn't been done for nil.

One of the first jobs that the new officers carried off quite smoothly was the initiation of ten new members to Delta Triton of Phi Sigma Kappa. After initiation came relaxation in the form of a banquet held at the Club Avalon.

Thanks to "Hap" Haller and Jack Halladay a fine time was had by all.

The hearth of homecoming at Delta Triton saw the embers of many an ol' acquaintance rekindled. All of the alumni, young and old, were quite pleased with the manner in which the chapter was holding its place here at Purdue. And we, the active chapter, were more than happy with the splendid turnout the alumni displayed. (Standing room only.) If this past homecoming is indicative of what is to come in future homecomings, then—in the vernacular of the boys in the house—"we've got it made."

In the brides and babies' department we have two new 'daddies'—Tom (Casino, that is) George and Art Singleton. Both mighty proud too. As for brides, as of December 28th, Jack Miner no longer had to rely on Freud's definition of marriage.

Our social chairman, Jack Halladay, is making sure that no one grows lax in his social graces. Yes, Jack has seen to it that we have gotten our share of dining and dancing in the last few weeks. Dining—a trade dinner with the Phi



DELTA TRITON NEW INITIATES

Left to right: Ralph R. Seavers, John F. Quinn, Joseph J. Robinson, Loren W. Miller, H. Franklin Goff, Claus Nacke, Roy E. Swingle, Gilbert F. Betulius, Verner L. Hunter, John M. Vaughn.

Mu Sorority. Dancing—a trade dance with the Pi Beta Phi Sorority and a Halloween pledge dance.

From the total number of pins in the house we can now subtract two. One went to 'Becky,' Tennessee via Jim Comella, and the other went to 'Marie,' Indiana by way of Ed Sucz. The pin situation should prove very interesting once the new initiates get their jewels.

Here's hoping that all of the brothers spent a very enjoyable Christmas vacation with their loved ones—and with the next issue of *The SIGNET* I will give you a full account of Delta Triton's 'Christmas Story.'

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### ALPHA

Massachusetts State College

By EDWARD R. SZETELA

The past two months have seen Alpha Chapter regaining its former strong position on State's campus. With the brothers and pledges all pitching in, we began the year with the chapter roster well filled and the house in good condition.

We started off by completing a successful rushing period. Though Interfraternity Council rules limited the quantity of our pledges, the men we pledged more than made up in quality. Only upperclassmen were rushed this semester and we are now formulating plans for freshman rushing next February. The following men were pledged this semester—"Herb" Holden, George Kopp, George Kerr, Fred Richardson, "Tom" McCarthy, "Dave" Jackson, "Bob" Noyes, "Dan" McCarthy, "Al" Toczydlowski, and Jack" Crean.

Chapter officers elected at the beginning of the semester were Arthur Irzyk, president; Frederick Brucher, vice-president; Richard Symonds, treasurer; Edward Szetela, secretary; Andrew Nelson, inductor; and Ralph Gilman, sentinel. Brother Fox once again took charge of the commissary and Brother Edwards agreed to share in its management.

Brothers Niedjela and Edwards were made Alpha representatives to the Interfraternity Council.

On November 17th, we held our first initiation of members in the chapter house since 1943. Seventeen pledges were admitted to the Brotherhood. The men initiated were—"Gil" Santin, "Mike" Donohue, "Pete" Judge, "Jack" Baier, "Herb" Holden, "Tom" McCarthy, "Ab" Price, Warren Gingras, "Dan" McCarthy, "Al" Toczydlowski, "Jack" Crean, Harlan Ladd, George Kopp, "Jim" English, "Ossie" Mills, George Kerr, and "Jim" LaLiberte. This was undoubtedly the largest initiation ever held at Alpha. Much of the credit for its success can be attributed to "Andy" Nelson.

Our social record, too, has been up to its old standards. Under the witty and capable direction of our dance chairman "Mike" (One-More-Vote) Donohue, our "Vic" parties and semi-formals have been eagerly looked forward to not only by the Phi "Sigs" but it seems most of the campus. Brother Fox, our capable steward has also enhanced our social standing by his diplomatic handling of relations with the campus sororities.

Alumni Week-end saw many of the brothers returning to the house once more. Brother Murphy ably expressed our sentiments with a huge "WELCOME PHI SIGMA KAPPA ALUMNI" sign across the front of the house. Over one hundred of the brothers and guests came to the alumni supper and dance. With this as the first effort of the active chapter to renew alumni support of the house, plans are under way to further this interest.

Brothers Irzyk, Nelson, Czarnecki, and Santin have once again taken up their duties on the Senate, Mass. State College Student Governing Body. Brother Irzyk is also a member of Adelphia, campus honorary society. Brother Niedjela was chosen Treasurer of the Interfraternity Council.

Several of the brothers have been nominated to the Senior, Junior, and Sophomore Class Officer slates but as yet the elections have not been scheduled.

Brother Downing, our Regional Director, has visited us several times. His advice and interest have been most helpful in setting us off to a bigger and better Alpha Chapter.

Recognition should also be given to the work of Brother "Phil" Smith ('97). Brother Smith has enabled us to start off on a sound financial basis. His advice and support have inaugurated closer association between the Housing Corporation and the active chapter. As secretary-treasurer of the Corporation, Brother Smith has also been largely instrumental in renewing alumni interest in the chapter.

### Alpha Sports

By CARROLL ROBBINS

A pair of captaincies was the main feature of the recently concluded fall athletic season during which Alpha Chapter

placed eight men on either varsity or junior varsity teams, and another seven in the Interfraternity Touch Football team at Massachusetts State College.

For the second time in four years, Brother "Gil" Santin was selected to serve as co-captain on the varsity football team which finished with a record of six wins, two losses. Co-captain-elect at the conclusion of the 1942 season, Santin, now a senior, left school to join the United States Marine Corps, where he was later to fly more than 80 Pacific missions as a Corsair pilot. Reputedly one of the best blocking backs to appear at State in recent years, however, Santin stepped back into the Maroon and White lineup at quarterback this year, and by the time State had reached the half way point in the schedule, he had been re-awarded the office.

Joining Brother Santin on the gridiron was Brother "Bernie" Stead, also a Marine veteran. Stead, a regular end in 1942, also recaptured his old playing tal-



ALPHA CHAPTER

Left to right, bottom row: J. Baier, M. Donohue, W. Lucey, T. McCarthy, M. Niedjela, J. Marshall, S. Kerr, M. Judge, J. Ring, H. Holden. Second row: S. Czarnecki, E. Szetela, A. Nelson, R. Symonds, A. Irzyk, F. Brutcher, R. Gilman, A. Fox. Third row: H. Ballou, E. Edwards, P. Breshnahan, R. Verrilli, W. Tunis, J. Price, D. McCarthy, S. K. Gove, J. Murphy, B. Shufelt, W. Gingras, G. Santin, R. Norton, G. Kopp. Top row: J. LaLiberte, H. Ladd, H. Mills, A. Toczydlowski, R. Noyes, D. Jackson, S. Price, R. Damon, M. Kosciuszko, T. Quinn, B. Stead.



ent, and was in every State starting lineup after mid-season.

On the soccer field, meanwhile, Brother "Joe" Magri added to Alpha's prestige as an athletic house, when he was elected to captain the 1947 team.

Other soccer players were Brothers "Bill" Tunis, "Steve" Czarnecki, Warren Gingras and Pledge Fred Richardson. Brother "Jim" English and Pledge "Dave" Jackson were regulars on the "jayvee" football team.

As this is being written, plans are being made to hold the playoffs for the championship Interfraternity Football league. Two leagues were formed to play four games apiece and Phi "Sig" won all its contests. Participants in our well functioning team are Brothers "Mike" Donohue, "Andy" Nelson, "Kim" Gove, "Ted" Brutter, "Art" Irzyk, Bruce Shufelt, and "Jim" Marshall.

Brother Santin and Pledge Richardson are presently candidates for the varsity basketball team while Brother Max Niedjela is working with the varsity swimming team.

Brother Joseph Magri was selected fullback for the all-star northern soccer team. He took part in the North-South Soccer game played in New York City on December 14th.

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### BETA

#### Union College

By FRED BUDNIK

The old "Terrace Club" is still going strong now that a state of semi-normalcy has returned to the campus. Many changes have taken place in Beta Chapter, the major one being the loss of our house during the war. Although every effort is being made to obtain another, it is evident that some time will lapse before such efforts bear fruit.

The number of active members has been increased to thirteen by the initiation of Gus Cerrito and Jerry O'Neil,

both of whom were pledged before they entered the Army several years ago. Rushing started December 12 and each of the brothers had at least one prospective pledge in mind, so it is hoped that a successful rushing season will result despite our handicap of being "houseless." A Thanksgiving dance was successfully carried out with the attendance of approximately fifty persons. Many of those present looked like good prospective pledges.

The brothers that have seen active service in the recent war and are now resuming their studies, include the newlyweds Max Slee and Robert Winnie of the Navy and Army Air Corps, respectively. Brother Winnie replaced the Flying Tigers in China. Robert Drake, Carl Burmaster, and Fred Budnik toured the Pacific theatre, the latter two in the signal corps, while Frank Lewis toasted mademoiselles and frauleins when not observing for the artillery. Joe Harmon enjoyed the rare vintages of Italy and Fred Carlton wore the navy blue.

Brothers Bulloch and Budnik attended one of the sessions of the recent National Interfraternity Conference held in New York. They received many helpful suggestions, some of which concerned pledging and pledge education. Our job now is to get the pledges as soon as the rushing season opens here at Union College.

At our last election of chapter officers Richard Bulloch was elected president; Robert F. Winnie, vice-president; Joseph Harmon, secretary; Robert Dake, treasurer; Fred Budnik, sentinel; and Bud Ottaviano, inductor. Incidentally, if there are any alumni or other persons who might wish to contact the chapter, there are three of us, namely F. Budnik, C. Burmaster and F. Lewis, now living in Room 31, South Section, South College. The other brothers are either living in scattered rooming houses or are commuting from home. Brother Wyatt has generously offered us the use of his office on the campus for our weekly meet-

ings. This will greatly facilitate the use of the ritual which has been rather difficult in the various classrooms where we have been meeting heretofore. The spirit of Beta is still strong and it is up to us to keep it so until once again it can be unified within the walls of a chapter house.

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### GAMMA

#### Cornell University

When the University opened its doors on October 14th, the men of Gamma were already prepared for the new term. The men arrived at least a week ahead of time and put the house in fine shape. Besides making general improvements throughout the house, the men competed in decorating their studies. As a result, the house is in better shape than ever before. No mean contribution to the attractiveness was the new exterior paint job.

As if inspired by the general improvement in conditions, the brothers, under the capable guidance of Hugh Hewitt, did an exemplary bit of rushing. Fourteen Cornellians decided that they would like to be Phi Sigs and now proudly display their red pledge buttons. William Gill LePard, Thomas Morgan Potts, Thomas Taylor Bissell, Douglas Wm. Anderson, Jerrald Joseph Bedenk, Shane Dillon Costello, Raymond LeRoy Eggert, Jr., Robert Arthur Heuerman, Edward Brugess Magee, Jr., Donald Reid McCurry, Norman Clifford Small, Jr., Laverne Henry Hardy, Alan Wilson Heath, and John Issac Mange II, are the 14 pledges named above.

The week-end of the Syracuse Game (November 9) saw the beginning of party season. An impromptu house-party started the new season. Ray McKinley and Randy Brooks, Mary Lou Williams and Ethel Waters, entertained on The Hill; several small parties were held at the house.

An alumni and parents' week-end followed November 16 with the coming of the Dartmouth team. A new Board of Directors was elected by the largest body ever to assemble for an annual meeting in sometime.

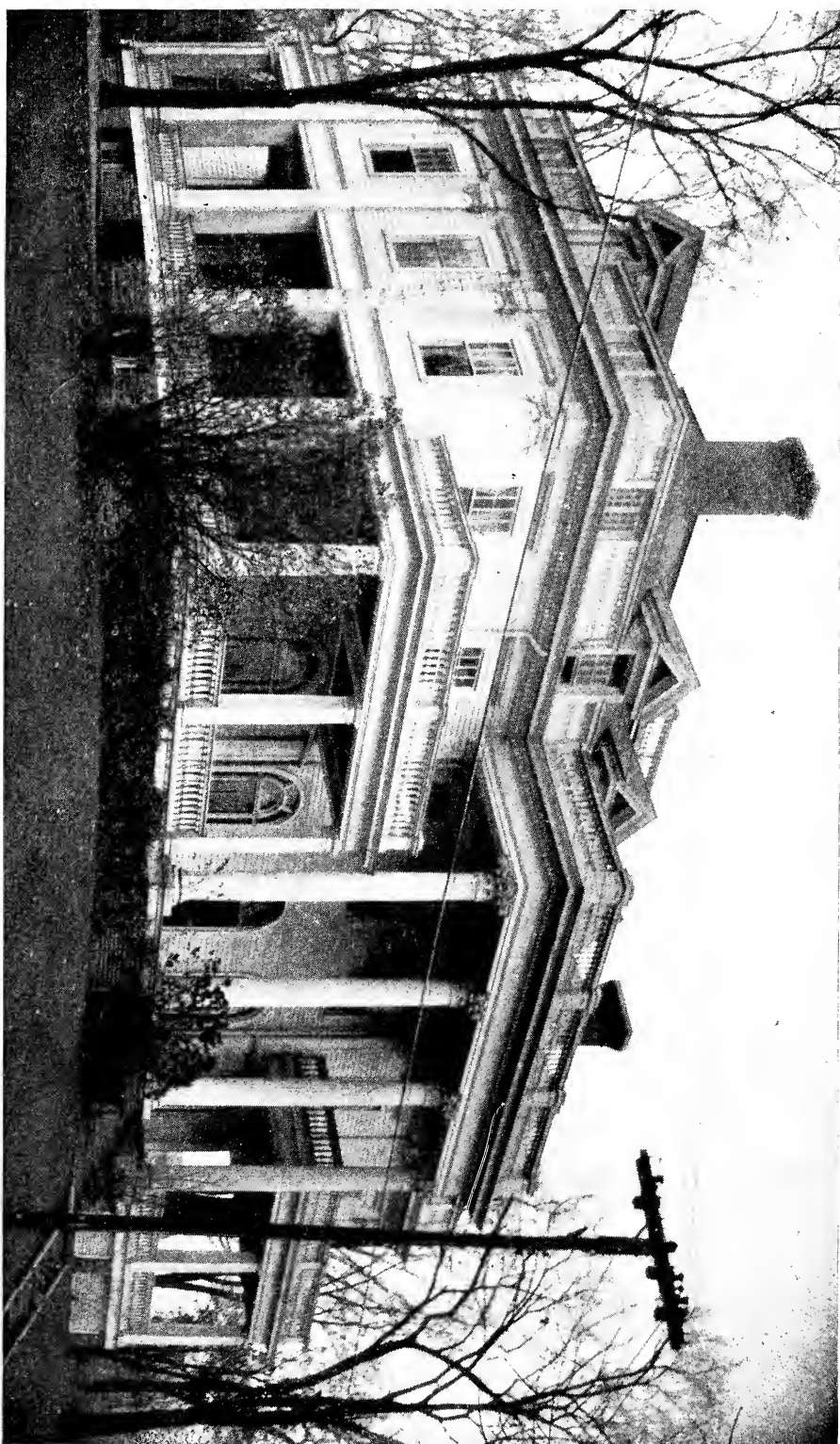
In lieu of a University game, the underclassmen challenged their seniors to a football game. Upper Alumni Field was the scene of the contest. Outweighed and outplayed, the upperclassmen went down in defeat to the tune of 18-6. The game was replayed several times at a "Beer Party" that evening, but the score remained unaltered.

A delegation from Gamma visited Mu at Pennsylvania Thanksgiving Day. Winning the football game in the afternoon did not take the edge off their hospitality, and our brothers at Penn proved very genial hosts.

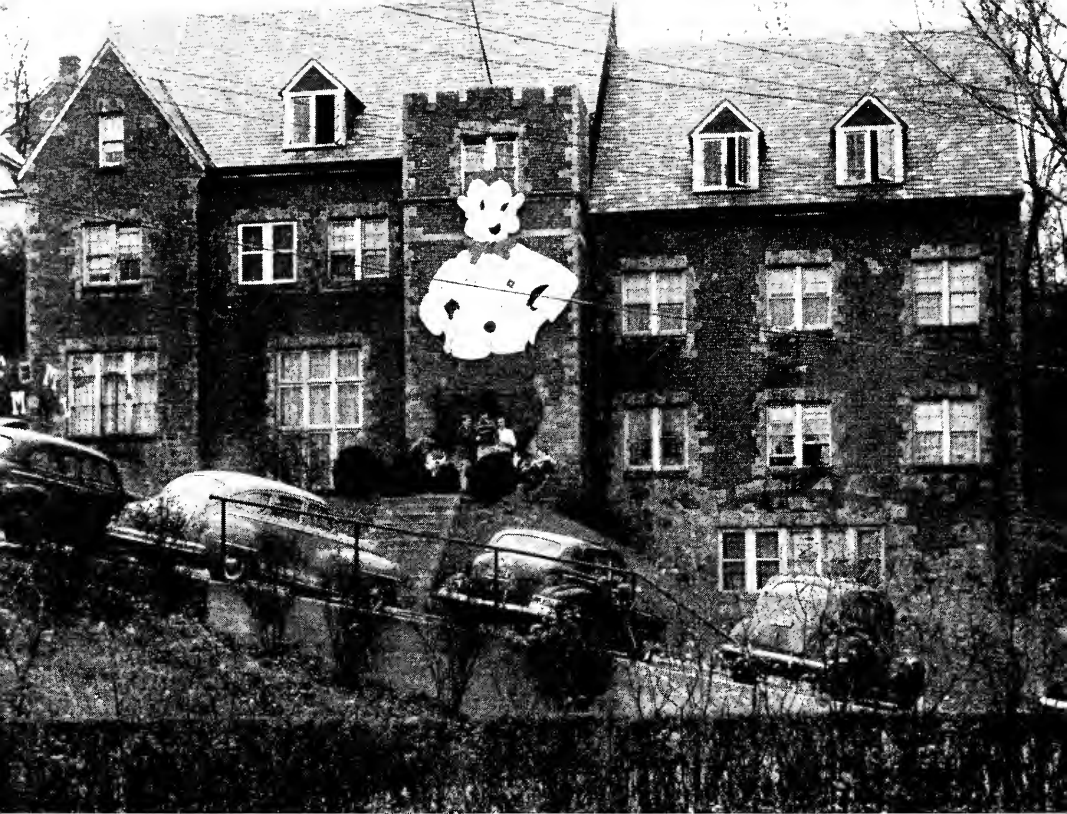
Men of Gamma are well represented in various activities this season. President Larry Dean heads a Forum Committee at Willard Straight Hall and has a good many excellent programs scheduled for the coming weeks. Hugh Hewitt and Bob Gallman are giving their all to WVBR. Bob is also an editor of the *Cornell Era*, one of the newer Cornell publications. "Bud" Saunders was just elected to Ye Hosts, honorary society. He is still active in the Student Council.

People are still returning to resume pre-war studies. Bill Tuttle, John Mitchell, John Miller, Art Widmer, Fred Heisley, Bill Bertelson, Cy Robertson, and Dave Stanley are back now. Don Sutherland, Ed Poppele, Mickey Lobsitz and Art Nilson turned in their navy-program blues and now carry their slide-rules in civvies.

The future for Gamma looks very bright. A fuller, more compact house we've never had. There is a good deal of spirit and drive in the organization as a whole and a full academic and social success is assured for the future.



GAMMA CHAPTER HOUSE



## DELTA West Virginia University

By ART MORRIS

Since the last issue of *The SIGNET*, Delta has, as usual, been in a dither of activity. This year we have adopted a policy of centering most of our social activities around the chapter house due to crowded conditions in Morgantown. Every week-end the rugs are rolled up and the old hardwood undergoes a good waxing in preparation for a week-end of dancing and other entertainment. This is an economical plan and never

### JOE COLLEGE STANDS GUARD (opposite page)

With the chapter house decked out for the Homecoming Week-end and party dance, "Joe College" stands guard over the door and the sign "Welcome Alumni" greets all old grads, at Delta.

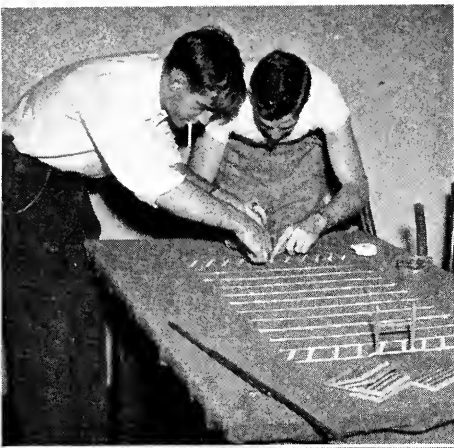
### AND IT RAINED THAT NIGHT (right)

Between "Joe's" legs Troy Connor and Rosalie Statler, dampened in everything but spirits, enter in time for the party.

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Active Bob Williams gives Pledge Harold McIntyre a hand in decorating the tables. The tables were made to look like a football field with small goal posts, lines, etc.

"Pop" Lind, Helen Rowlinson, and Jane Powell drink a toast to a victorious football game the following day.

Pledges had to work every night for one week before the dance preparing decorations for the house. Orie Davis and Jerry Billitor are pictured working on a Hood pennant.

fails to provide as many good times as the more money-consuming pastimes. Usually some entertainment can be rounded up from our own membership, including the music, and refreshments serve to round out a wholesome good time.

On October 26, after seeing the underdog eleven upset the highly favored Syracuse club 12-0 in the annual Homecoming game (incidentally, Brother 'Chugg' Schrader and Pledge Brother 'Buddy' Freese sparked the victory), Delta entertained its members and alums with one of the best parties this Campus has witnessed in a number of years. Using a 'Joe College' motif, the house was very cleverly and humorously decorated with fraternity paddles, pennants of other schools, fitting traffic signs borrowed from the State Highway Commission, and all sorts of paraphernalia that is likely to be found about the rooms and haunts of college lads. Over the front door was a huge 23 foot zoot suit character decked in a slouch hat, a one-button coat, pegged trousers, and saddle shoes. Of course he wore the inevitable chain of untold length.

Each member provided his date and himself with gaily decorated beer mugs having the names, date, and various Phi Sig insignias affixed, but as that malt liquid is banned at mixed parties, we had to content ourselves with cider. A great crowd attended to enjoy the dancing, games, entertainment, etc., and when the smoke finally cleared away, there were well over three hundred entries in our guest book. A large number of alumni were present and all seemed well pleased with Delta.

As always, Phi Sigs are grabbing their share of the honors afforded on the campus. Brother William 'Spike' Powell was elected to the law honorary and has been named president of law school; Brother Jack Turner was elected to Alpha Xi Omega, business honorary; and Brother Jesse Dally was elected to Alpha Gamma Epsilon, Geology honorary. Brothers 'Spank' Knightstep, Vic Scindiver, Jack Feck, Bill Caldwell, Jim Raine, and Gene Hall were initiated into

Fi Batar Cappar, mock fraternity, last month. Brothers 'Spike' Powell, Joe Condry, and Frank Yoke are listed in the newest edition of Who's Who in American Colleges.

Brother Gene Caussin keeps himself busy with the Delta Letters which go out monthly to all alumni of this chapter to keep them informed of our progress and stimulate their interest in our activities. Brothers Ed Ellis and Kenny Wine have found outside interests, too, since they recently joined the ranks of the 'Matrimonially Shackled.'

Even as I finish up this correspondence, plans are afoot for our annual Christmas Party, to be held Dec. 13. We intend it to overshadow the Homecoming party in every aspect, and to be even a bigger success. We'd be delighted to have our brothers from other chapters drop in any time and give us the "once-over."

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### **EPSILON TRITON** **American University**

By WILLIAM A. AIKIN

The first important event of the fall term in Epsilon Triton Chapter was the initiation of our summer class of pledges. Brothers Ted Branthover, Mike Katen, Irving Mills, Tex Griffin, Tom Schmidt, John Sysak, and Fred Sharrah were initiated on Saturday, October 5. Fred, who was a pledge before the war, returned in time to become a member with this group.

We were indeed fortunate in getting some of the choice men on the campus during the fall formal pledging. The student enrollment at the American University is the largest in its history, and we had a large field from which to choose. Our chapter is growing rapidly, and with well chosen men for our pledges, great things may be expected from Epsilon Triton.

Pledges: Joseph McCary, Bill Binswanger, Mike Moore, Pat Fitzgibbons, Charles Behrens, Dick Cornwell, Ben Respass, Dick McConkey, Bill Richardson, Clarence Jarboe, Arthur Kamn, Nelson Aters, Carl Patterson, and Jim Strong.

Phi Sigma Kappa is represented on the University basketball team, Tex Griffin being chosen for the varsity squad. The American University has a difficult schedule this year, and we are backing Tex, a hard playing guard, to prove himself an invaluable asset to the team.

Johnny Harrison, who has been ill for the past few months, is now well on his way to recovery after several weeks in the hospital. Johnny withdrew from school and resigned from the presidency of the chapter because of his incapacity. He is planning, however, to return to school in February.

Tom Cornell served in the president's chair until he, too, withdrew from school to accept a position as pilot with the Pennsylvania Central Airlines. At a recent election Lee Cozan was elected president to fill the unexpired term, and Fred Sharrah was elected inductor.

Ted Stawicki has left school to rejoin the marines. He is a lieutenant and is stationed at the Quantico Marine Base in Virginia. Ted, an old A.U. griddier, played during the '46 season on the marine team.

John Beadle became a member of the wedded "folk" class when he married Betty Patterson early in December at a ceremony held in Metropolitan Memorial Church, Washington, D.C. Betty is a Kappa Delta, and was graduated from the American University last June. John has not returned to school since his discharge from the army.

Epsilon Triton Chapter was honored with a visit from our new National President, Herbert L. Brown. All members were happy to have had the privilege of meeting the new president so soon after his election. At the same time we were visited by the two Field Secretaries, Walter F. Ackerman and William F. Gott, from whom we received some excellent advice.

The wives and sweethearts of Epsilon Triton Chapter are in the process of forming a "Wives and Sweethearts Club", an organization which is definitely an asset to any chapter. It gives the girls an opportunity to get acquainted, and at the same time gives them some-

thing to do, away from home, on meeting nights.

The chapter's Alumni Club has become active again. At the first meeting this fall "Doc" Holton was elected president. The Club is planning activities with the members of the chapter so that they will be able to meet the recent active members as well as the new pledges.

Francis Kendrick, who returned to school this fall after several years of war-time service, has been "tapped" for membership in Beta Beta Beta, the National Biological Honorary Fraternity.

Another member to return from war service is George Latham. George served with the merchant marine, and has some interesting stories to tell of ocean travel in war-time. Although he hasn't entered school as a regular student, George is taking a chemistry course at night. He also manages to find time to attend meetings.

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### ZETA TRITON Montana State College

By TED PAULL

The "Big White House" on South Willson again sheltered Phi Sigs after three years of being home to freshman women and nursing students of Montana State College. Returning brothers were Vic Smith, Pierce Patterson, Everett Shuey, Jerry Kasman, Jim Milne and Ted Paull. These, with thirteen pledges, turned to and got the house ship-shape. Elections were held at the first of the quarter with Vic Smith, president, Ted Paull, vice-president, Jim Milne, secretary, Jerry Kasman, treasurer, Everett Shuey, sentinel, and Pierce Patterson, inductor. We got rolling and enlarged our pledge class and initiation was held late in the quarter for Dan Walsh, Christie Mike, Ed Parmalee, Tom Goutanis, John Cornish, Walter

Narkevic, Joe Murray, Lorin Lafevre, Jack Howard, and Ray Claus.

During the summer quarter several men remained in school but the house was left nearly vacant with but a few men batching.

At the start of fall quarter seven old actives returned to join those already present and a high tempoed rush program started with twenty new pledges and more pledging all the time. Again elections were held and Harold Johnson was elected president, Walt Narkevic vice-president, Jim Milne, secretary, Dan Walsh, treasurer, Vic Smith, sentinel, Jack Howard as inductor.

Zeta Triton's Service Flag has two Gold Stars on it. We deeply regret the passing of Selway Carlson and Paul Cles.

Additions to Phi Sig families at M.S.C. are William E. Patterson, son of Brother and Mrs. Pierce Patterson and Elizabeth Claire, daughter of Brother and Mrs. William Jefferies.

Congratulations to Brother Ed Parmalee and his bride of August. Also to Vic Smith who has been chosen President of Septemviri, which is an honorary organization at M.S.C. for prominent senior men and exists not only for the purpose of creating, enforcing, and perpetuating traditions and customs on the campus but also to honor outstanding men—so you can understand why we are very proud of him. Also during the past summer Brother Smith attended the Alpha Chi Sigma Conclave in St. Louis, Mo., and this fall Brother Jack Howard traveled to Seattle, Washington to attend the Interfraternity Council there.

The Phi Sigs have been hosts at several Firesides and the Fall Party was held in the Moon Room of the Hotel Baxter on December 14th.

Zeta Triton is back in full swing now and you'll be hearing more from us in the next SIGNET.



## KAPPA

### Pennsylvania State College

With the fall semester about over, Kappa Chapter leaves behind one of its most successful seasons since the war. Football games, dances, and parties combined to furnish genuine pre-war fun and the spirit that goes with it.

One of the biggest occasions was Homecoming Weekend, October 19 and 20. With an All-College dance Friday night, a football game with Michigan State Saturday afternoon, and a dance at the House Saturday night, the returning alumni were entertained in true Phi Sigma Kappa style.

Aside from the fun, Homecoming Weekend had its more serious aspect. A meeting of actives and alumni was held at which problems concerning improvements on the house, etc., were discussed. At the same meeting, the following officers of the Kappa Alumni Association were elected: president, Park H. Lutz, '18, Denver, Pa.; vice-president, James K. Ruby, '21, Pittsburgh; and secretary-treasurer, Curtis D. Thomas, Pittston, Pa. The retiring officers were: president, J. Gotshall; vice-pres., Miles Kilmer; and sec.-treas., Frank Love.

On November 5 the pledge class was

formally initiated. The new brothers include Myron C. Bechdel, Robert W. Humphrey, William A. Hyde, Jr., Charles H. Ness, John K. Pfahl, Harold E. Richards, Philip A. Sawyer, and Perry M. Smith.

The week-end after initiation was Soph Hop and Houseparty Week-end. Friday night Ray McKinley's Orchestra played for a dance at Recreation Hall, while a football game Saturday with Temple and a party at the House completed the week-end.

Members of the chapter are upholding the Phi Sig tradition of leadership in campus activities again this semester. For example, Don Hart recently won the intramural golf championship; Ed Hyde was elected president of Scarab (architecture honorary); Bill Keefauver was elected president of the 85-piece Blueband (which, incidentally, was complimented for its fine marching and playing at the Navy game by none other than President Truman); and Ernest Nagy was elected president of the Liberal Arts Student Council.

And the list goes on: Phil Sawyer was elected president of the local chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers; Don Hamme, Dan Meckley, and Bob

SOPH HOP WEEK-END DANCE



Logan were elected to Tau Beta Pi, engineering honorary; and Harry Mumma was elected to Scarab.

The following people have been pledged to the fraternity since the semester began: Bernie DeLong, Jim Sims, and John Holmes.

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### IOTA

#### Stevens Institute of Technology

Iota is enjoying a period of prosperity now boasting twenty-seven brothers and nine pledges. With our returning men, a fruitful rushing period and more upper classmen going fraternity, things look bright.

The most recent initiates were Jim Cullen, '48, Pete Pateros, '48, and Milt Gossett, '49. A work week was held for these then pledges prior to their initiation.

Our house was also honored by having three of its brothers initiated by Tau Beta Pi. Joe Di Fellice, Frank Ross and John Madill were those tapped.

Plans are being enacted for our 50th Anniversary in 1948. Our alumni, the Iota Association, and ourselves want the anniversary to be the time for burning our mortgage.

Field Secretary Bill Gott, was our guest recently and helped greatly in the reorganization of the house and the catching up and clarifying of our records.

The officers this term are: Hugh Mac Innes, president; Al Neuffer, vice president; Jack Koehler, secretary; Jim Sofiandes, treasurer; Joe Martus, sentinel; Gene Beardsley, inductor; and Jim Solus, house manager.

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### MU

#### University of Pennsylvania

By ELWOOD W. SHOMO

At the time of the opening of the fall semester, the forty-two brothers of Mu Chapter were determined to make the term one worth remembering and

to make the Phi Sig house one of the most talked about on campus. We are happy to say that we have been highly successful in accomplishing our desires. The after-game punch hours and the following house parties in the evening are reminiscent of pre-war gaiety. Improvements to our house have resulted in its being more admired and comfortable, especially in regard to the new furniture. More brothers are participating in the school's activities and many hold responsible positions.

Those returning to school this fall after being in the service were Bob Entine, John Fox, "Hank" Kressman, "Woody" Johnson, George Michel, George Sanko, Ken Stitz, and Bill Wright. Brother Wright had been a member of Phi Chapter during his stay in the Navy. At this writing we have two pledges, George Ryan and Dick Molden.

Shortly after his installation as Grand President, Brother Brown visited Mu Chapter and received our best wishes for continuing success in his new and difficult position. Following the meeting the brothers participated in a songfest with "Bert" at the piano. Several weeks later Brother Brown returned with Brother Fred Griswold who was introduced as our new Regional Director.

The fall social season was a success in all aspects. Under the direction of Bob Cox, social chairman, many gay and colorful parties were planned and given, which often attracted hordes of guests and friends of the brothers. The climax of the fall season was reached when a "Little Boy and Little Girl" party attracted over forty couples dressed in short pants and skirts and playing with dolls, balloons, and "yo-yo's".

During the Navy-game week-end, which is the liveliest on the Penn Campus, we held our semi-annual formal at the house. Dancing under soft lights to mellow music, we celebrated our long-sought-for victory over the Midshipmen.

The party really started moving when the brothers took up the refrain of Jim Van Horns "Swanee".

Other highlights of the past few months were the birth of a girl to Brother John Fox and his wife Margo, Bob Hildreth's and Gordon Smith's engagements, and the losing of a touch football game to the Phi Kappa Psi's for a keg of beer party which is still in the process of "planning".

Past-president and alumnus Don Solenberger, now employed by Connecticut-Mutual Life Insurance Company, with the help of alumni committee chairman Ray Heagy, planned a very successful Mu Alumni luncheon which was held at the University Club on November 4th. As only twenty-five Mu Alumni were expected, the committee was greatly pleased when thirty-seven graduates attended. Brother Solenberger said that this was the first of a current series of get-togethers planned for Mu's Alumni.

In the recent chapter elections, Bud Roney was re-elected president, Fred Leswing was elected vice-president, Dick Chell was re-elected secretary, Burke Cock was chosen treasurer, and Harry Neinstedt and Don Miller were picked by the brothers to be the inductor and sentinel, respectively. President Roney stated that it was his policy to maintain the house's reputation and leadership by impressing on the minds of the brothers the ideals of Phi Sigma Kappa with regard to scholastic attainment, morals, and fraternal spirit. He and the other officers were applauded for the fine work which they accomplished in the preceding and present term.

The chapter is now about to enter a very competitive rushing season which is expected to bring out over five hundred freshmen and upperclassmen. The brothers are working hard to put the house in top shape and the Rushing



Top to bottom: Fred Pierson, Harry Little, Chuck Sower.

Committee headed by Clark Thompson is doing a great job in planning the activities for the prospective pledges. As one-third of our present members will have been graduated by next summer, we must do our best in securing as many pledges as we can this term and in the spring.

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## XI

### St. Lawrence University

By BILL RESCORL AND BILL DAVIS

More than fifty loyal alumni braved the elements to cheer S.L.U. to a 7-0 victory over their traditional rivals, Clarkson College of Technology, October 12. A buffet luncheon and alumni meeting in the chapter house preceded the game, and the victory was celebrated by a beer party that evening.

The following men have been elected to lead Xi through the coming year: president, Bob Griffith; vice-president, Dick Spooner; treasurer, Bill Rescorl; secretary, Dale Gibson; steward, Tom

Muchard; inductor, Bob Bennett; sentinel, Glenn Beardsly.

Headed by Dick Spooner and Jack Wilkins, rushing chairmen, all the men of Xi worked with renewed vigor to make their Smoker and Open House a huge success with the result that 57 men were pledged. They are: Milton K. Adams, Robert W. Adams, Curtis Barker, Donald E. Blanchard, William J. B. Burger, William R. Caldwell, Richard O. Churchill, John Comey, Harold F. Crawford, Richard E. Cuilty, Donald A. Danielson, William J. Davis, Jack B. Dennin, Andrew M. Doty, Gilbert E. Dwyer, Kenneth F. Dyer, Sidney Eudene, John H. Faulkner, John F. Finkle, William Fisher, Robert J. Free, Robert Glasser, William W. Gould, Francis M. Hall, Arthur T. Hilkirt, Herbert Hulser, Henry L. Hulbert, LaVere P. Kneaskern, Martin Kotarba, James J. Lally, Warren M. Larter, Arthur E. Lewis, John J. Louchks, James J. MacAloon, Gilbert C. Mauerer, Albert S. Meltzer, Ray A. Miller, Charles F. Mowry, Edward P. Noziglia, Allyn B. Partridge, Lewis H. Pells, Roger A. Pihl, Gaylord E. Powell, Robert E. Pratt, Hugh A. Quinn, Martin Richman, Kenneth C. Rogers, William B. Rogers, James I. Strang, Douglas Straw, David E. Trumbull, Keith E. Watkins, William Wieber, Sterling A. Wetherell, Frederick Wilder, Harold W. Wilder, Richard E. Willis.

The Pledge Banquet was held December 15th at the Hotel Harrington in Canton, Don Hamilton, Past National President of Phi Sigma Kappa, and Bill Gott, National Field Secretary, were the guest speakers. Brother Hamilton commended the men for their splendid efforts in reestablishing Xi to its rightful place of importance upon its reopening at S.L.U. He also predicted a bright future for the men and pledges. Brother Gott reechoed the words of Don Hamilton and thanked the men of Xi for their

splendid hospitality during his brief stay here. President Bob Griffith congratulated the pledges. James MacAloon was the toastmaster for the evening.

With the advent of winter weather here in the North Country, Jack Wilkins, New York State Intercollegiate downhill and Slalom Champion in 1943 and Claude Wiese, famous Norwegian Cross Country ski enthusiast have been out practicing daily. St. Lawrence is expecting "big things" from these two Phi Sigs this coming year.

The new heating system has been installed much to the joy of all the men living in the house.

The Phi Sig basketball team is steadily improving under the guiding hand of manager Glenn Salzburg and should develop into one of the strongest teams on campus. "Curly" Beardsley, Dick Myer, Jordan Weir, Sid Eudene, Ken Dyer, Bill Davis and Andy Doty paced the Phi Sigs to a 24-20 conquest of Beta Theta Pi and a 38-24 decision over the Sig Pi's.

Larry Dona has been pledged to Gamma Sigma Epsilon, national chemistry fraternity, Bob Griffiths was elected president of the Junior Class, Bill Rescorl was elected treasurer of the International Relations Club and chosen as delegate to Middle Atlantic Conference of IRC held at Vassar College November 30 and December 1st. Brother Rescorl is also chairman of the newly formed committee on debate at St. Lawrence.

The actives and pledges of Xi want to take this opportunity of extending the best wishes for a bang-up year to all the other chapters. Good luck and good rushing.

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Lehigh University

By WILBUR E. HENRY, JR.

Boasting of a spacious and newly decorated chapter house with some seven-

teen brothers and nine pledges is Nu Chapter at Lehigh. Through the splendid cooperation and assistance of Lehigh University's treasurer and bursar and Brothers Ed Curtis, Ben Ames and Ducky Shartle, Nu was able to set up its standard on the corner of Center and Market Streets, Bethlehem, in record-breaking time.

Many familiar faces were seen at the chapter house on the occasion of the Alumni Reunion on November 23rd—the week-end of the traditional Lehigh-Lafayette game. Lehigh's defeat failed to dampen the spirits of the Phi Sigs who duly toasted the opening of the new chapter house. Newly furnished and decorated throughout, Nu's Chapter House stands ready to welcome all Phi Sigs journeying through the vicinity of Bethlehem.

Newly elected chapter officers include Ellsworth Stockbower as president; Jack Glenn, vice-president; George Raffensberger, secretary; Robert Wallich, treasurer; Richard Billiar, inductor, and Tom Johnston as sentinel. Pledges of the class of 1950 include Walter Chestnut from Upper Montclair, N. J., manager of freshman football; William Ditmar of Baltimore, Md., varsity football, right tackle; Jack Georgiaddus of Bethlehem; Howard Hattal of Morristown, varsity football, left guard; Phil Redmanger of Gettysburg; Dick Stoltzing, Pittsburgh, and Jack Young of Ithaca, N. Y.

Nu's activities this past season included many and varied achievements on the Lehigh Campus. The Phi Sig bowling team carried off the championship of the Interfraternity bowling league largely through the efforts of crack bowler



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Left to right, bottom row: Jim Wilson, Phil Ridinger, Jack Georgiaddus, Dick Stoltzing. Second row: Wilbur Henry, Jack Glenn, Ellsworth Stockbower, George Raffensberger. Third row: Bob Mount, Sam Snyder, Bruce Staples, Bob Wallich, Dave Whitten, Bob Schmidt, Walter Chestnut, Jack Young. Top row: Bill Dittmar, Sam Johnston, Jack Sherrer, Howard Hattal, Dick Billiar, Nick Ford, Jerry O'Brien.

Jack Haldeman. The IF trophy is now proudly displayed over the living room mantle piece at the House. Pledge Brothers Bill Ditmar and Howie Hattal performed yeoman service on Lehigh's football squad this past fall season. Pledge Brother Jim Wilson, varsity foot-



NU BRIDGE

ball player, is going out for the wrestling team this season.

Appointed to head the campus paper, the *Brown & White*, was Brother Wilbur Henry as chairman of the Board of Control. Brother Henry is also serving on the faculty of Lehigh University in the capacity of assistant in the department of history and government, and was only recently initiated in Phi Alpha Theta, national honorary historical fraternity.

With its new home and an active membership of some twenty-six brothers and pledges, plus the enthusiastic support of the Alumni Association, Nu Chapter is looking forward to bigger and better things at Lehigh during the new year.

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### PI

Franklin and Marshall College

By WM. H. CALDWELL

Pi Chapter found the fall of '46 a most successful and eventful term. Tom Thatcher, president; Jim Dolan, vice-president; Bill Drye, secretary; and Bill Ziegler, treasurer, were the officers who

presided over our fifty-four active brothers and twenty-six pledges. Abe Ashby, a pledge from '42 and a star on the Diplomats eleven both then and this fall, was formally initiated into the Brotherhood of Phi Sigma Kappa on November 12.

Not satisfied with winning the softball trophy last spring, the Phi Sigs continued their athletic supremacy at F & M this fall by defeating the Chi Phi Fraternity 13-0 to win the football championship. At present Jerry James, another Phi Sig on the gridiron varsity, is coaching the house basketball team which anticipates a banner season in interfraternity competition.

Pi Chapter also annexed another cup this fall for their outstanding decorations for the Homecoming week-end. A large committee headed by Bob Seachrist and George Murdock deserve the credit. The return of a large number of alumni added to a colorful week-end climaxed by a buffet supper and dance at the house.

The Social Committee has been responsible for numerous and various types of dances held throughout the fall term. Jim Stoner and his Social Committee handled all plans and arrangements for the formal Christmas Dinner Dance given in honor of the pledges at the Brunswick Hotel in Lancaster.

Since the fall term has opened, Pi Chapter has lost two brothers, Jim Trost and Dick Liedig, to the United States Army.

With the advent of '47 Pi Chapter has resolved to keep its No. 1 fraternity rating on the campus of Franklin & Marshall College.

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### OMICRON

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

By RICHARD T. GREGG

Omicron started off this fall term with a capacity house, the overflow living in nearby rooming houses. We have a total

of forty-four actives with twenty-six living in the house, and the remainder in other quarters. We have three pledges at present—Don McGuire, Bob Weber, and George Wetmore.

Our main problem nowadays is how to fit everybody into the dining room at once, though the problem of recurring York Pudding has been replaced with the "Case of the Missing Soup." Bill Crawford, where is the soup? ?

The Phi Sigs at MIT have firmly entrenched themselves in the activities of the Institute, with some also including academic studies on their activities' list.

The Beaver Key Society, regulating intermural sports, is sustained by Bill Grant, its secretary and also our vice-president, John Rudolph, our treasurer, Ralph Evans, our secretary, Bill Crawford, our steward, Walt Kisluk, and Fred Howell, who is our sentinel and auditor. Brother Grant is also on the Executive Committee of the I.F.C.

Bill Crawford is also a member of the Senior Week Committee, planning an orgiastic Mardi Gras as a fitting demise for our Seniors' graduation.

For a little exercise, crew is stroked by Rudolf, John Leonard, Bill Reynolds, F. H. Howell, Ned Bowman, Ronnie Greene, Bob Grott, Bob Weber, Don Jenkins, and Don McGuire. Brothers Leonard and Rudolf represented Omicron and MIT at the Seattle Regatta last summer. Brother Leonard is vice-commodore of the Boat Club, with Reynolds as its secretary-treasurer. Brothers Grant and Folger prefer dry land and are out for track. Brother Greene is also the secretary-treasurer of the sophomore class as well as being a member of the Sophomore Prom Committee.

Of course, some of the Navy fly-boys are still air minded—Bill Reynolds, Pete Crawford, and Ralph Evans driving Navy airplanes at nearby Squantum. Lucky LaPier would also go, but shuns the little stuff, sticking to PBY's. Not to

be outdone, Al Seville, Dick White, John Rudolf, Bob Voges, Woody Rowles, and Bob Weber have organized a Flying Club, acquiring a plane with which to take lessons.



Some Phi Sigs "going to the dogs" at a recent Omicron picnic. Left to right: Rowles, Kisluk, Howell, Bowman, McGuire, Hetrick, Rudolf, Rowe, and Redpath.

For the more—or less—literary minded, we have Walt Kisluk as General Manager of Voo Doo, the local yokels' humor magazine.

Well, this thing has drawn out enough, so I'll close with due apologies to those not mentioned and will try to include a few more names in Omicron's next Chapterette.

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## TAU

### Dartmouth College

By ROBERT C. HUNT, JR.

Although the fall semester at Dartmouth started somewhat later than was normal for most schools this year, much has been accomplished in Tau Chapter in the short period which has elapsed.

First and undoubtedly most important on our calendar for this fall was the rushing, pledging and initiation of 18 new brothers into Tau Chapter. Before rushing started on the 23rd of October we had expected only to be able to accommodate 10 pledges as the limit set for active fraternity membership by the college was 55. However during rushing



period this limit was, by a petition of a majority of the fraternities on the campus, raised to 65. Under these circumstances we were able to pledge 18 men, leaving 6 vacancies for the coming year. Pledge period, under the guiding hands of John "Doc" Byrnes and Frank Salvagio, a transfer from Mu Chapter, was successfully completed on the 25th of November, just before the Thanksgiving holidays. The formal initiation of pledges Sumner Sollitt, Bill Branch, Dean Worth, Dick Bowser, Gil McDowell, Fred McBride, Ross Dunbar, Norbie Wild, Jack Helsell, Maury Readey, Al Graves, Jere Poole, Chuck Regan, Al Winkler, Jim Garrison, Towns Harris, Bob Hall, and Jim von Rohr immediately followed our return to Hanover on the evening of the 2nd of December. The annual initiation banquet followed the formal initiation. Toastmaster for this occasion was Prof. Joseph B. Folger, '21, with additional speeches by Prof. J. S. Dunham, '08, Edward J. Jeremiah, '30, LeRoy U. Jerman, '46, present president of the house, and Sumner M. Sollitt, '48, pledge king for this last pledge period.

After the marvelous job that the handful of brothers did this summer on the renovating of the outside of the house it was decided this fall that parts of the inside could stand some of the same treatment. With our struggling treasurer, Dick Welch, keeping us within reason we embarked on an ambitious program. The highpoint of the improvement was the installation of an oil burner which has proved to be even more opportune than was suspected at the time of its installation. In addition to this we were able to locate enough standard gauge linoleum (thanks to the sleuthing of some of the brothers) to recover the game room floor. One little item was accomplished at very little expense to the house and that was the painting of the bar room floor. We were able to save the cost of labor by allotting the

job to the pledges who did an admirable piece of work. We have also added some new furniture to the house, most notably a four sectional couch paid for through the donations of the brothers. The last major improvement of the season was a second inside stairwell which had to be constructed to meet the new requirements of the New Hampshire and town fire laws. For the benefit of any graduate brothers who may read this and are wondering where we put the stairs I shall add that they run from the dorm room on the third floor, through what used to be a closet on the second floor, right, rear and face the stairs leading down to the first floor in the back.

On the social side of the ledger Tau has been quite active too. On the 14th of November the college held its annual fall house-parties for the first time in 4 years. As usual the house was vacated for the fair sex for the week-end. There was some anxiety apparent on the faces of the Social Committee, especially on the one of Chairman Bob Allen who doubles as vice-president, as it was his task to find enough beds and enough place to put them to accommodate all the dates expected. The final count showed 46 dates plus 4 chaperones sleeping in the house where normally 19 men are quartered. Except for the fact that we lost the football game the week-end was highly successful. Saturday night there was a band at the house providing the music just necessary to round off the gala evening, and Sunday noon featured a steak party at Roy Jerman's farm. The success of the week-end can be judged from the fact that we are planning an informal houseparty on the 14th of December besides looking forward to Dartmouth's biggest social function, the Winter Carnival, next February, with plans for a dance, ice statues, etc., already under consideration.

As for campus activities and sports we



find that Bob Winstanley has earned his D playing soccer on a team that is a contender for the national championship. Al Graves, Gene Bossi, and Ed Clogston are running on the track squad while Ted Southworth is a member of the college ski team. Ralsey Scofield and Fred McBride represent Phi Sig on the fencing team and Dean Worth grunts with the wrestling squad. We also note in passing that Dick Hill is manager of the college radio station while Dick Hollerith is circulation manager of the college daily. Bob Bensing is co-manager of the glee club, Jim Garrison assistant hockey manager and Bob Hunt manager of the track squad.

As for intramural sports basketball has just started with the Phi Sig team of Abrahamsen, Landon, Blackburn, Englehorn, Holley, Carlson, Hunt and Cole fairly promising to capture the college championship with two games safely stowed away at this writing. Intramural hockey should also see Phi Sig on top of the heap with the same crew performing that missed the championship in overtime in the final game in 1943.

Checking the roster shows that we have back in our midst, after an enforced absence, the following men: George French '45, Bob Fairbanks '45, Ralsey Scofield '45, Dick Johnson '45, Joe Poole '46, Ted Southworth '46, Ralph Hersey '46, and Joe Dressel '46. We also acquired two transfers, one already mentioned and the other Joe Marsh from Delta Chapter.

Although it will be a little late by the time this goes to press Tau Chapter would like to wish the other chapters a Happy and Successful New Year.

That just about winds up Tau's report for this issue except for one thing — WATCH FOR THE TAU TATTLER.

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### Williams College

By DICK GRAY

All fraternities at Williams were closed during the war but with the beginning of classes the first of October the Phi Sigma Kappa house was reopened and everyone was busily getting the house ready for rushing which started the same day. Williams rushing lasts six days and at the end of that period about two-thirds of the non-affiliates had been pledged to one or another of the fifteen houses on campus. Our delegation consisted of twenty-one men, all of whom should be an asset to Chi Chapter. The pledges were: Chuck Alberti, Frank Ash, Art Bohner, Ken Brown, Harry Elliot, Jack Hammel, Russ Hemstreet, Dick Killian, Starr King, Lew Lawton, Ed Madden, Bill Mann, Bob Messimer, Whit Norris, Larry Pulliam, Jerry O'Brien, Fred Smith, Stan Tefft, Gus Underhill, Proc Waterman and Elt Williams. A few weeks later Dick Martin, Will Brown and Mike Carter were pledged.

The football season was under way almost immediately with Brother Hank Lukas playing sixty minutes for the Purple Team in most of the games. Skip Frimpter was forced to quit football in the middle of the season because of an injury.

The twelfth of October was Victory Reunion week-end here at Williams and army cots were set up in the Phi Sig house to accommodate the brothers who came from far and near. As an added attraction the August pledges were initiated that week-end. The alumni were given an opportunity to quiz all pledges before the ceremony to make sure they hadn't neglected their pledge training. Some of the newly-initiated men are missing their pins already but the pins turn up on houseparty week-ends when flocks of lovely girls haunt our house.

The fall houseparty was November 9th — the week-end of the Wesleyan

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football game. We joined forces with the Theta Delta Chi and the Beta Theta Phi houses for the organized parties. Saturday of that week-end we welcomed some of the Wesleyan brothers who had come for the game.

Our game room in the basement was repaired this fall and as an added decoration we had caricatures of all members and pledges hung on the walls.

Brother Bill Gott, traveling Field Secretary, visited Chi Chapter the first week in December. His next stop was to be Tau Chapter at Dartmouth.

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### ALPHA DEUTERON University of Illinois

Alpha Deuteron's annual winter formal, *Le Club Monte Carlo*, was again a huge success. For the occasion a canopy was constructed from the door to the sidewalk and much time was consumed in planning other decorations, most impressive of which was the refreshment bar, the equal of which many taverns cannot boast, decorated with a multitude

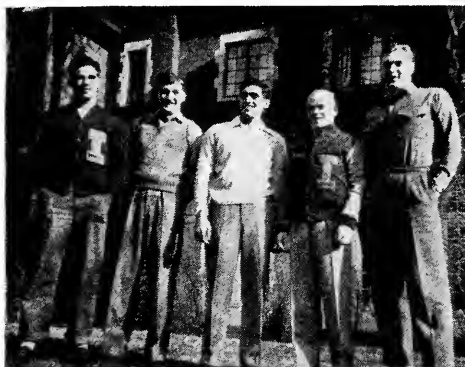


ALPHA DEUTERON TRANSPORTATION

of bottles filled with colored water. When not dancing to the top campus band, Phi Sigs and dates played at the various gambling games, competing for the prize which was given to the couple with the most chips.

The Illini, Big Nine football cham-

pions, with the chapter represented by Tackle Frank Bauman, Quarterback



ALPHA DEUTERON "I" MEN

Left to right: Quarterback Tom Stewart, Hockey Player Bill Prentiss, End Joe Buscemi, Hockey Player Ray Killen and Tackle Frank Bauman.

Tom Stewart, and End Joe Buscemi, contributed in making Homecoming and Dad's Day festive days by their defeats of Ohio State and Wisconsin. Stewart and Buscemi helped represent Illinois in the famed Rose Bowl classic.

Pledge Elton Long is the artist responsible for the hide sporting the Phi Sig crest which now hangs over the fireplace. The leather was contributed by Brother Don Omohondro, and it goes without saying that all are greatly appreciative of this fine gift.

Brother Frank Bauman was a December bridegroom and the best wishes of the chapter are extended to Frank and Mrs. Bauman for a happy and successful married life.

Pledge Benton Odum, all-state basketball player, is progressing well on the squad and will aid in helping the Illini chalk up another Big Nine first.

December also saw yet another Alpha Deuteron pre-war institution revived in the annual House Mother's Banquet. We have found this an excellent method of becoming better acquainted with the various housemothers and, of course, the Dean of Women.

## EPSILON DEUTERON

### Worcester Polytechnic Institute

By JOHN L. HAWLEY

Here at the "Chapter on the Hill" we are glad to report even more strength as we roll into the new year, 1947. Since beginning this fall term, we have grown into the largest active Phi Sig membership in our history on the campus. It has become a new postwar high of 58 members and three pledges, including 11 married men. And with rushing from the freshman class still to come this January we have hopes of nearing the one hundred mark before the end of this school year. 11 Dean St. has welcomed back from the service this term Brothers Gray, McBride, Rehrig, Adams, Dinsmoor, Drew, Mogensen, Neale, Peepas, White, Wilcox, Underwood, and Penniman, so that we have every phase of the army, navy, and marines well represented throughout the house. With these men and the new brothers who moved in from the Dorm one finds nary an empty nook or corner in the house. The rest of the brothers, after considerable hunting around, with the tough housing situation, were able to locate themselves within a few blocks walking distance so that they are able to come for our cook, Jim Mickens', excellent meals.

Social activities started off with a bang with a joint fraternity Fall Party and Dance in early November, which featured two sound reels of musical comedy set up in the dining room, while downstairs in our gameroom couples danced to smooth juke-box tunes on a floor all slicked up for the occasion. Refreshments of cider, hot doughnuts, and American cheese further labeled it a huge success. Every Saturday night, however, finds impromptu house parties, and with the basketball season now here, there promises to be many more enjoyable parties.

Socially minded though we are, when it comes to making points for athletic

trophies Epsilon Deuteron is always there in top fighting spirit. The main topic of discussion around the house these days is the ace indoor relay team we have entered in the Interfraternity competition. Captained by Dave Brown a track star last term and with the fine running of Jack Williams, Red Shattuck, Chuck Rehrig, and speedy anchor man, Norm Clark, we are undefeated at this writing. Every brother has been on hand at the track to urge and cheer on our team.

In the recent class elections Phi Sig men who were elected "on the hill" were John Hambor, Senior Class President; Jack Wholean, Senior Tech Council Representative; Al Raymond, Junior Class Tech Council Representative; John Hawley, Sophomore Vice-President; Dave Brown, Sophomore Secretary. Elected to the presidency and vice-presidency of Tau Beta Pi, honorary fraternity, were Jack Harding and Bill Longmiur, respectively. Other recently-initiated members of Tau Beta Pi from Epsilon Deuteron are Al Breed and Don Thompson.

At a recent Glee Club concert a great number of Phi Sigs displayed heretofore hidden musical talents. Especially notable were the two very fine solo selections by Bob Drew, who gave excellent renditions of "Ole' Man River," and "When Big Profundo Sang Low C."

We were especially honored with a visit by Field Secretary Brother Bill Gott in late November and enjoyed meeting him and hearing his talk of national activities of Phi Sigma Kappa at our meeting. We add our best wishes to him and hope that he enjoyed his visit to Epsilon Deuteron as much as we did.

STAR AND CRESCENT, our fraternity house booklet, has just come from the printers, ably edited by our former secretary Dick MacIntyre, and has drawn "oohs" and "ahs" from all the members. We are planning to send a copy to all the chapters and would like to hear what your comments are.

Epsilon Deuteron wishes to extend best wishes to all Phi Sig brothers and pledges for a most successful and joyous New Year.

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### ETA DEUTERON University of Nevada

By CURT BAKER

Way back in '21 the Nevada Wolves were the first mainland team to play the Rainbows of the University of Hawaii.

A new first was established Sunday, December 7, 1946, when the first football broadcast from Hawaii to the mainland carried the news of the battle raging on the muddy field of Honolulu stadium.

This gridiron event had been held over from its schedule for five years due to the more pressing events for Hawaii and the whole U. S.; namely the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Eta Deuteron Brothers Bill (Bomb-sight) Mackrides, Bob (Buster) McClure, Pat (Senator) Heher, and Pledge Brothers Lloyd (the Horse) Rude, and Ken Sinofsky made the trip via plane to play for Nevada U. The final score Nevada, 26, Hawaii Rainbows, 7.

Brother Bill Mackrides led the nation this year in total yardage via the passing lanes and was asked to play in the Shrine East-West game in San Francisco, representing Nevada on the West Squad.

Brother Bob McClure, tackle, was picked for All-American squads three years in succession and has played in the East-West game two years in a row, being the only player to have this honor in the game's history.

Lloyd Rude, as a freshman last year, was selected to the fullback position on the West squad and received recognition on this year's All-Coast team.

Homecoming? Best Yet! This was the comment by many of our returning grads who attended the reception of the Eta Deuteron Chapter on November 2. Doctor Franklin Palm, Region V Direc-

tor, honored us by a visit on that day.

Brother Wayne Hinckley was elected president of the Alumni Association for the University of Nevada. He succeeded Brother George Southworth. Mrs. Ted Withers has revived our Mother's Club, and to put it mildly has done a wonderful job of organizing a general remodeling program of our chapter house. The house now is in a transitory phase, but will evolve into a home of which we can be terrifically proud. Thanks to all alumni and thank you especially, Mrs. Withers.

John Kinsley, alumnus of Alpha Deuteron chapter at the University of Illinois, has lent us more than a little assistance, giving us his valuable time, technical advice, and material assistance. Thanks to you John and all the boys in your outfit.

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### THETA DEUTERON Oregon State College

By ART CHENOWETH

This chapterette is dedicated to the pledge class, which is one of the largest in Theta Deuteron's history, numbering 32, most of whom are veterans recently discharged. They are Doug Addison, John Andrews, Jim Ball, Whitney Ball, Bill Bellerby, Fred Campen, Art Chenoweth, Jack Crider, Bob Day, Harold Dinkins, Ed Engkraf, Jack Ferguson, Dick Forsythe, Dick Hall, Harold Hansen, Vern Heeszel, Dick Howell, La Vern Hughes, Charles Lawton, Severyn Long, Brick Magee, Bill Russell, Don Salvi, Bill Schwartz, Win Severson, Jeffrey Shute, Al Smith, Walt Smith, Ken Storey, George Watson, Bob Weisenback, and Don Whitman.

Pledge officers were elected at the first meeting in the fall term, and include Brick Magee as pledge president; Ed Engkraf, vice-president; Win Severson, secretary; and Bill Russell, sergeant-at-arms.

Top honors go to Johnny Andrews, pledge dance chairman, who did so much to make the pledges' fireside the huge success that it was. Members are still talking about the pledges' fall term walk-out which caused them much discomfort for a while. It seems they awoke one bleak, rainy morning only to find that their shoes had mysteriously disappeared during the night. The Kappas had them and demanded a serenade for their return. Retaliation came later that night.

Chapter officers for the fall term were Norman Newman, president; Ralph De Lateur, vice-president; Howard Long, secretary; Norman Peterson, treasurer; John Runkle, inductor; and Frank Tomlinson, sentinel. Theta Deuteron's participation in campus activities was widely varied this term. Norman Newman,

chapter president, is serving as president of "Varsity O," Oregon State's letterman club. Win Severson was elected "Yell King" and president of the OSC rally committee, and is helping to revive the college spirit for which Oregon State is famous. Pledge Ken Storey is on the varsity basketball team, and Bob Dungan and Bert Allinger are members of the varsity football squad. Johnny Vossen won the office of sophomore class treasurer in the fall elections. In short, fall term found Theta Deuteron back to normal again.

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### LAMBDA DEUTERON

By LEO SHARKEY

On the night of Saturday, November 22, the Lambda Deuteron chapter house was the scene of one of the best attended



THETA DEUTERON PLEDGE CLASS

Left to right, bottom row: Addison, Schwartz, Long, Hall, Watson, Whitman, Hughes, Magee. Second row: Dinkins, Russell, Howell, Jim Ball, Walt Smith, Bellerby, Engkraf, Shute, Al Smith. Top row: Ferguson, Andrews, Day, Hansen, Whitney Ball, Lawton, Storey, Crider, Chenoweth, Salvi, Weisenback, Heeszel.

and most popular house parties ever to grace its hallowed old walls. Our decorations committee, composed of four artists, really did a bang-up job in fixing up the house in keeping with the general theme, The Phi Sig Turkey Trot. There were harnesses, old kerosene lanterns, cultivators, and all sorts of odds and ends found in the old barn. There were convenient bales of hay for those who tired of dancing. Add all this to the music of a smooth band, and you know that the Phi Sigs had one swell time.



LAMBDA DEUTERON NOVEMBER  
INITIATION CLASS

Left to right, front row: Phillip W. Campbell, Lawrence P. Martin, Duane V. Fairchild. Back row: Lowell J. Hatley, Holly A. Dudley, Gerald R. Deery.

Our active chapter was augmented by six stalwarts on Sunday, November 17 at the conclusion of our first initiation of the new school year. The new brothers are Lowell Hatley, Phil Campbell, Gerald Deery, Duane Fairchild, Holly Dudley, and Pat Martin. For one of these men, it was just an old story. Lowell Hatley, better known as "Beans" because of his accent strangely reminiscent of Boston, went through rush week back in 1941, but was called away by Uncle Sam before he could be initiated.

Our chapter has increased in size quite a bit over a year ago. In December of 1945, we had twenty-seven men in the chapter, actives and pledges. Today, we can boast of forty-eight men, with an additional four men inactive at the present time. And we are still growing, striving always to make Phi Sigma Kappa the best on the campus.

Our pledge class has been very active this year. They were in charge of all entertainment for the last Homecoming Game for the football season, and accordingly, they erected a miniature stage in front of the chapter house and put on a continuous skit during the evening. One of these pledges has received some recognition throughout the Northwest recently with an article in the magazine *Free Enterprise*, a publication dedicated to the advancement of the Pacific Northwest. The writer, Folke Olson, is an advertising major, lately connected with the Allied chain in Minnesota and former editor of the Navy paper "*The Stethoscope*."

Although the Phi Sigs here at Washington have been enjoying their social activities, they have likewise evidenced a strong desire for studying. On the whole, the house is taking their studies seriously. Due to the tremendously increased enrollment this year, it is not possible for the teachers to give as much attention to the individual student as they would like to. Consequently, it is up to the student himself to get his work. If he should let it fall behind, the only one who suffers is the student. Our members have all realized this, and are working hard to bring up that old grade point. While we're studying, that's all for now.

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MU DEUTERON  
University of Montana

By DICK MERRITT

We pledged more than sixty men this fall, but with the crowded conditions,

the pledge "mortality rate" has been higher than usual with the result that the total number of pledges at any one time hovers around fifty. Every time we pledge a couple of new men, a couple old ones drop out.

Mu Deuteron honored its excellent pledge group at a pledge formal held in the Governor's and Mayfair Rooms of the Florence Hotel. (Please allow an interpolation here. Mr. Bernard DeVoto, the Cambridge, Mass., author and critic, says on page 432 of the November Harper's magazine that "the Florence at Missoula, Montana, must certainly be by a good deal the best hotel in the interior West; I have never stayed at a better one anywhere . . ." We Montanans are justly proud of this wonderful new hotel and Mu Deuteron hopes that members of its brother chapters will sometime be able to come and stay there while they visit and explore in the great Rocky Mountains of Western Montana.)

Ten initiates this autumn brought our active chapter total to thirty-five. The new Phi Sigs are Leo Wolfe, Montevideo, Minn.; John Berger, Detroit, Mich.; Don Fox, Park City; George O'Connell, Havre; Toby Wagner, Pettibone, N. D.; Ernie Johnson, Paradise; Jack Nichol, Columbus; Joe Maitin, Deer Lodge; Dale Monson, Fairview; and Harold Scott, Plains.

Nominated for most honorable guy in the house: Bob Van Luchene, Missoula, who is copy editor of this year's *Sentinel*, the University yearbook, and who also is treasurer of the Journalism School's Press Club. Bob has been our very able vice-president and social chairman, and was summer rush chairman with an ill-fated partner, Dick Raymond who was called into the army.

Many words of thanks should go to autumn quarter president, Lou Stevens, Chinook, who was one of the six who opened our house last winter and built it in a short time to an organization of

almost a hundred men. Lou is a senior and will graduate in the spring.

Speaking of graduation, Les Sooy, Havre, got his degree in Journalism in December.

Hard-working autumn pledge boss, John Kitchens, Sheridan, Wyo., expects to be allowed some rest when winter quarter rolls around. President Stevens and Secretary Dick Merritt, Helena, both of whom have held one or another fraternity office continuously since 1941, hope to retire permanently in January. Bud Cook, Helena, will continue his good work as housemanager for the next quarter or two. George Holmes, who comes from down Missouri way and has a slight President Truman accent, was our autumn quarter sentinel.

Keith Wiedenheft, Plains, is president of the pledge class and our representative to the Junior Interfraternity Council, a group of fraternity pledge class presidents. Pledge Leonard O'Neill, Great Falls, is layout editor of the university yearbook.

On November 9, we had an Open House for the reorganizing of the Montana chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Those boys don't yet have a house of their own because they sold their old one at the beginning of the war.

We regret to announce that the Phi Deltas beat us in the interfraternity touch-football championship playoff. We had led the league for most of the quarter. There will be another chance next year, however, and we're not crying. We are out to get the interfraternity basketball cup, on which we have two legs and which will be our permanent possession if we win it once more.

The chapter has two bowling teams this year. One in the senior interfraternity league and the other, comprised of pledges only, in the junior league.

Brother Ray Ryan's wife, Dale, gave birth to a large nine pound plus baby, Raymond Grant, in November.

We had Dessert-Dances for Kappa Kappa Gamma on October 31, for Alpha Chi Omega on Nov. 7, and for Alpha Phi on Nov. 14.

Zeta Triton Chapter at Montana State College has suggested that we have an inter-chapter party with them during the basketball season. Our fellows are enthusiastic about the idea.

Brother Dick Merritt had his 145 pound St. Bernard, Brunnhilda, at the chapter house during the touch-football season. To say that she enlivened fraternal life would be an understatement.

We had some photographs taken for the January SIGNET but unfortunately they don't look so good so we'll try again in March. So long, brethren.

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### NU DEUTERON Stanford University

By ART LEVINSON

Refreshed by a three-week yuletide vacation, the Stanford Phi Sigs are once again steeped in an aura of higher learning — and rushing.

Winter quarter is the traditional rushing period at Stanford, and we're all getting ready for this fraternal ritual. Larry Frankly, rushing chairman, plans to take on about eight pledges, which will put the house at maximum capacity.

Three men were pledged last autumn, and they're now residing at the fraternity house. Sam Chaney, a grad student transfer from C.O.P., Ray Pascoe, a Navy dischargee, and Dirk Eisenga, a transfer student from the University of Washington, comprise the pledge list now.

Donning work clothes, and transforming ourselves into painters, carpenters, and general laborers, we painted the house, inside and out, and made necessary repairs to our chapter house last fall.

With 30 men doing heavy chores, we got the house into "livable" condition, and numerous compliments were heaped upon us from alumni when we held a

buffet luncheon before the U.S.C. football game.

Men of Nu Deuteron are moving about the campus, and their influential positions help spread the fair name of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Larry Frankly is a columnist for the Stanford Daily, and is Director of Music of Station KSU, a recently organized radio station on the campus.

Art Levinson was sports editor of the *Daily* last year, and now is a roving columnist. He is Director of Sports for KSU, and is local correspondent for the United Press.

Doug Crawford is connected with station KSU, also. Besides, Doug is Forum Chairman for a Leadership Committee under the associated student government.

Wedding bells rang for two Phi Sigs during the Christmas holidays. Dick Ebert married "Gerry" McCullough at Los Angeles, and Bleecker L. Wass was wed to Helen Hayden at Upland, Calif. Both couples have rented apartments on the campus.

Four other men in the house have "pinned" their girls, and a dance was held in November, honoring the sweethearts of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Jack Merideth barnstormed with the basketball team during the vacation. Opponents on the itinerary included Michigan, Denver, Kansas, and Bradley Tech.

Bill Larson performed with the jayvee football squad last season, and is now resuming his pole vaulting activities. He was Stanford's leading pole vaulter last spring, and is expected to be high man again this year.

Our intramural football squad placed third in a big race, and we will more than hold our own in the basketball conference.

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### XI DEUTERON University of Tennessee

By GORDON SAMS

"We Have Returned!" These words



gleamed on the big sign under huge flood lights embedded in the Xi Deuteron Chapter's lawn, reminding all students at U.T. during the formal pledge week that the "Phi Sigs" were really back on "the hill" and were ready to take an even more prominent part in University activities.

Wasting no time in fulfilling the expected, the chapter planned and expedited a very successful pledge week, from which thirty-six swell pledges (our approximate "unofficial" quota) were added to our midst. Dances, parties, outings, initiations, a sweeping victory in campus politics, open house, and outstanding participation in intramural sports, not to exclude election and installation of new officers, has highlighted the fall quarter activities of the chapter.

U.T. students are still talking about our rush week socials. Actives, pledges, rushees, and guests alike were thrilled at entertainment in the colorfully-decorated house. Local bands rendered the swing and sway for these occasions.

Later in the quarter, on Halloween night, the "joint was jumping" again to the solid licks of Brother Bill Lawson's band, recently released from one of the South's most famous clubs. Decorations for this event kept with the theme of the holiday as witches, black cats, corn shocks, and other novelties were placed throughout the house. Lighted jack-o-lanterns cast flickering shadows of dancing couples everywhere.

Also outstanding was the combination hay ride and hamburger fry given by the pledge class at a scenic lake-shore



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spot honoring the active chapter and guests. From this event evolved a new protege for our cook in pledge "Red Hot" (Chef) Chestnut.

The traditional red carnation worn by Phi Sigs to all social functions has become quite renown here.

Along with these pleasant activities Xi Deuteron's newly-elected and re-elected officers have not hesitated to take on their new responsibilities with zealous "new blood" efficiency.

Past-prexy L. C. Howse is still in the driver's seat, doing a remarkable job of whipping (not literally) his grateful brothers and pledges into a prominent position in fraternity and student circles here. Red's unforgettable personality and welcome smile has been exceedingly

influential in maintaining Xi Deuteron's high hospitality standing. The achievements during reactivation and the ideals this man is representing for us all will imbue the name of Howse forever among Xi Deuteron "greats."

Tall, likable Marvin Tarpy is our new vice-president. "Tarpy" adds this office to that of president of the University Newman Club, a student Catholic organization, and editor of the "Tennessee Farmer," the Agriculture Club's famous magazine. Very prominent in campus activities, "Tarpy" is surely a benefit to his fraternity.

"Never in human history has one got so much from so few." Such expresses re-elected Brother Clement as treasurer. Seriously though, Brother George Clem-



This was our decoration for Homecoming Week-end, with Alabama as our football foes. The symbols on the playing field this side of the "Val" line are a blue Devil (Duke), yellow jacket (Georgia Tech) and a "choo choo" (Chattanooga), all former beaten foes. We beat 'Bama 12-0 and were hosts to 'Bama Phi Sigs who were here that week-end.

ent has proved himself to be one of our most loyal. During the war, Brother Clement remained in contact with all U.T. Phi Sigs with the "Phi Sig News," a small paper containing interesting info on all Xi Deuteron's fighting personnel in far-away areas. When war clouds cleared, the "financial brain" was instrumental in the purchase of one of the loveliest fraternity houses on "the hill." Xi Deuteron is indebted and sincerely appreciates the years of service (some of the more aged say seven) Brother Clement has performed. Under his wing George has taken Robin Johnson, newly-elected sentinel. Robin is catching on to the tactics of the "old master" and fast becoming an officer of quality.

Slow-talking Jim Evans is inductor now. Jim, hailing from the Blue Grass country, is also taking his place among the bigwigs seriously.

Frank "fish" Hendricks who maneuvers about as fast in the water as he does on land will be jotting down the minutes during meetings and doing other future secretarial duties. If the "fish" excels in this new capacity as well as he did in the recent intramural swimming meet, the 'dope' will be recorded with precision. Brother Hendricks was the mainstay of our swimming team this season. We were early to realize our lack of material, but Brother Frank swam two consecutive heats in the finals of the 50 and 100 yd. dashes. The "fish" placed second and third, respectively, elevating the fraternity to fourth place in the meet standings, almost an individual endeavor.

Further advancement up the intramural ladder is expected when the basketball quintet take the floor next quarter. Former star performer on the Vol varsity five, Brother W. K. Jones, is coaching Xi Deuteron's hardwood representatives. Promising talent is being revealed in the action of Brothers Jack Marshall, P. B. "Silent" and Bobby Connelly and Pledges Doug Bowers, Tom

Bing, Lanky Dave Dodson and Jack Duncan.

"Josh" Bearden and Doug Bowers made a good showing in the intramural fox hunt (more foot race than hunt) recently, until a car came by (so they said) loaded with the other contestants speeding toward the goal line. These two pledges finally agreed their excuse didn't hold water as they continuously scrubbed the wood-work in the house.

A new political dynamo has been recognized at U.T. in Brother Joe Rogoski. The fall elections were swept clean by the All-Students Council, a party in which "Rogo" was instrumental in assisting to take every office, defeating a party which has been in power here for several years. "Rogo," a new initiate, has also been of value to the chapter along with Brothers Roger Bohanon, John Wampler, and Bill Schaad in planning our dances and other socials.

During the homecoming week-end Xi Deuteron was host to several brothers from Alabama. These Phi Sigs didn't let the heartbreaking defeat of Gilmer and Co. keep them from enjoying a week-end of enlivened activities centered at the decorated house. A dance honoring alumni and "Bama" guests climaxed the events.

Another similar occasion brought numerous Phi Deuteronites from Kentucky. Our men still rave about Pat Conley's antics and hope we can unite again with these brothers in the near future. An informal get-together was held in honor of the Phi Deuteronites on the eve of their departure back to the race horse country.

A short time ago members were pleasantly surprised to walk into the living room and encounter Brother I. T. Sliger, recently returned from Germany. "Slick" was formerly head cheerleader at U.T. and a prominent military man. A lieutenant in the army, "Slick" was about the first to leave home at the beginning of the fracas. He looks like the old Sliger

breezing around the campus in a new convertible.

Late in November, open house gave students, relatives, and friends a chance to look over our new dwelling. Approximately 600 visitors were greeted on entrance by our officers and Housemother, Mrs. Elizabeth Wright.

The election of "Miss Tennessee," highest U.T. honor for the luscious lassies threw quite a controversy smack into the midst of this chapterette. The two final contestants happened to be "special" friends of Brother Murphy Miller and Pledge Bob Whittaker. The two beauties caused quite a split in political circles on "the hill" and many friendly but heated disputes in the fraternity. Pledge Whittaker was victorious as his favorite won a close (not neck to neck though) 12 vote victory.

One of our returned navy men, C. J. Trent, was awarded a few more stars the other day. C. J. is with us now but the new awards caught up with him anyway, bringing the stars to number five in his Asiatic-Pacific campaign ribbon. Brother Trent served twenty-five months overseas with a hot Patrol Bomber outfit and was cited for bravery in the Pacific. Duty took him to Palau, the Solomons, the Philippine Islands, and New Guinea. His air medal contains three stars and beside it is the good conduct award, Philippine Liberation, American Theatre, Victory medal, and a Navy Unit Commendation.

During the first part of the quarter an initiation enlarged the active chapter. Eleven new men were admitted and all have already proved their loyalty. They are: Gordon Sams, Jack Marshall, Joe Rogoski, Hal Parks, Bill Coutts, Rog Bohanan, Frank Hendrix, Jack Whiteside, Raymond Agee, William Badgett, Robin Johnson.

The men pledged during formal rush week mentioned above are: Josh Bear-den, Bill Dodson, Jerry Robinson, Red

Chesnut, Morgan Moore, Robert M. Perrin, Curtis Barnes, Joe Barger, Douglas Bowers, Jim Nelms, Ralph Bridwell, John Gray, Bobby Whittaker, Bobby Farrar, David Dodson, Charles Eastland, Bill Houk, Everett Wilson, Sidney Knight, Stanley Merritt, Calvin Reviere, James Neblett, John Rogoski, Jack Webster, Dave Warwick, Buddy Mosely, Tom Bing, Jack Ramsey, Herman Hyder, Dick Dickson, Darwin Hatfield, Jack Duncan, Curtiss Overton, and Homer Longworth.

Numerous other tentative activities are being planned for the coming quarter. By the time *The SIGNET* goes to press again we hope to report still further developments of our growing chapter.

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## OMICRON DEUTERON

University of Alabama

By BERT DUBE

It's "Hello" again from Omicron Deuteron, Phi Sigma Kappa's most southern chapter. Since the last issue of *THE SIGNET* great things have been happening down here in the deep South. At this writing the temperature is down in the twenties and your correspondent is getting his first opportunity at operating his typewriter while wearing mittens.

First of all, Omicron Deuteron would like to take this opportunity to again thank all the members of Xi Deuteron of Tennessee and Phi Deuteron of Kentucky. Our "Get Togethers" before and after their respective games with the University of Alabama will long be remembered.

This fall four new brothers were added to the roll of Omicron Deuteron. Bert Dube, Bob Hughs, Bob Jones, and Clyde Wolfe constitute the new additions. Shortly after the initiation of these men an election of officers was held. The following officers were elected: Bob Webster, president; Bob Hughs, vice president; Claude Stone, treasurer; Jim Mas-

sey, secretary; Bert Dube, sentinel; and Clyde Wolfe, pledge master; Bob Jones was appointed representative to the Interfraternity Council.

Omicron Deuteron is once again gaining the prestige and respect that it enjoyed in the not-too-dim past. Most of our members are big men on the Capstone. Examples of these "big men" are Bob Webster, president of the Junior class of the college of Engineering, a member of the executive committee of Saint Pats, honorary engineering society, and a member and leader of the Canterbury Club. Bob Hughs is a member of the Northington Campus association and the advertising staff of the school paper. Jim Massey, vice-president of the American Institute of Engineering, a reporter on the Bamma Beam, and holder of a faculty assistantship. Bob Jones, chair-

man, of the program committee of the American Society of Engineers.

Name pledges are: Jack Martin a new pledge just back from a long tour of duty with the Army Air Corps and a member of Theta Sigma Lambda, honorary mathematics fraternity. Pinky Brown was a track star at Hurt Military Academy and runs the 100 in ten flat. Jack Green is the holder of several swimming trophies. His latest time is 9 seconds for 25 yards. Dave Bently has just pledged and has an enviable four year record with the Marines.

I could go on and on. But after all, ALL Phi Sigma Kappa men are good.

Socially we are back in stride. Even with the handicap of still being without a chapter house we are really "puttin' out" in the field of entertainment. Since September we have given a picnic, two



A PORTION OF OMICRON DEUTERON

Left to right, front row: Brothers Ted McCoskey, Clyde Wolfe, Bert Dube, Bob Webster, Bob Jones, Jim Massey. Standing: Pledges Tom Klomparius, Dave Bently, Frank Long, Dale Howard, Jack Martin, John Green.

dinner parties, a dinner dance, two smokers, and the pledges threw a beer party for the brothers. Homecoming marked our peak in this field for the fall quarter. We had one of the best decorated cars in the parade. And after the game, which saw Brother McCoskey playing at guard for the University of Alabama, we held a dinner dance at the historic Key Club. Located just out of town, the Key Club is steeped with southern traditions.

Athletically we've gotten started with a bang. Our basketball team has already begun practice. Brother Dick Kirwin has been chosen as a player coach. Our team will be built around Dick, Bob Webster, and Bert Dube, all of whom played in '42. Dick and Bob have also played against the Famous New York Celtics. Bob Webster played with the championship team of Biak Island, the 64th Troop Carrier team. Bert Dube played on army teams in Wisconsin and Missouri. Bolstering these three re-

turnees will be pledges Tommy Klomparsens, who was a star with the 85th Fighter Group, champions of Manila; and a fast stepping center, Earl Reynolds, who starred for Anniston High School.

Other members of the team are: Bob Jones, who played with Troy High School, Dale Howard, who played in the navy, Frank Long, that speedster, Pinky Brown, and Johnny Green.

Brother Ackerman spent more than a week with us trying to help us locate a house. Unfortunately, we still can't report any definite news, but we do have two seemingly good leads. We are thankful for Brother Ackerman's help and to the national headquarters for sending him to our assistance.

Brothers Marvin Copeland, Jr., Olmstead Copeland, and James Brown, all alumni of Alabama, have been very helpful to us in many ways. They are leaving no stone unturned in an attempt to get us a house.



PHI SIGMA KAPPA CAR IN HOMECOMING PARADE

Let us close by wishing all of the other chapters the best of luck and with the hope that there will be a lot of new shiny loving cups in Phi Sigma Kappa houses all over the country.

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### PI DEUTERON Ohio State University

By DAN GARST

Whatever spirits might have been dampened by the outcome of our homecoming football game with Michigan were brightened at the reunion held at the home of one of our alumni, Dr. Rush Robinson. Many alumni were there, some having been absent from the Ohio State campus for sixteen years. All activities and pledges were there with their dates. Our congratulations and thanks to Dr. and Mrs. Robinson for a wonderful party and their splendid hospitality.

Pi Deuteron extended a hearty welcome to brother Joe Shaw, a Phi Sig transfer from Lambda Chapter at George Washington University. His presence at this time is especially welcome since we are trying to increase our chapter roll as quickly as possible. Our other main objective is to acquire a chapter house.

Pi Deuteron was honored to be host chapter to the Regional Conclave of Region IV. The Conclave was held at the Fort Hayes Hotel in Columbus on December 7, 1946. Herbert L. Brown, Grand President of Phi Sigma Kappa, was the principal speaker at the banquet following the meetings.

A set of twins has been added to our pledge class, James and John Gabriel. Jim is a member of the Ohio State marching band.

Ken Diehl, president of Pi Deuteron, was recently nominated to Ohio Staters, an organization whose purpose it is to promote the name of Ohio State University and assist with public relations.

### RHO DEUTERON Gettysburg College By SHARP PAXSON

Perhaps the main news from here since the last SIGNET is the very successful rushing season held in October. We have now twenty-eight potential Phi Sigs and we think great things can be expected of them.

Bob Shyroch headed the committee that rushed these men, and now they are under the wing of pledge master Roy Musselman, aided by Charlie Lowe, Ed Raffensberger, Sam Davis, Bob Avancena, and Joe Schuster. Pledge meetings are held every Monday evening.

The pledges include Fred B. Clemens, Berwick, Pa.; William R. Cope land, Lewistown, Pa.; William E. Derrick, Jr., Trevorton, Pa.; Sidney S. Ehrhart, Glenville, Pa.; Harold B. Emlet, Loysville, Pa.; Rudolph Wheeler Gleichman, Baltimore, Md.; William F. Gotwald, Gettysburg; Robert Eugene Hasler, Chambersburg, Pa.; Edward F. Holland, Red Lion, Pa.; Harry M. Hopkins, Phoenixville, Pa.; William H. Horner, Gettysburg; John R. Howser, Jr., Williamsport, Pa.; Charles W. Houseworth, Phoenixville, Pa.

Other pledges are Thomas M. Lescalette, Jr., Frederick, Md.; Larry S. McClung, Stewartstown, Pa.; Granville F. Miller, Littletown, Pa.; Jesse D. Otley, Jr., St. Davids, Pa.; Richard M. Ott, Johnstown, Pa.; Alvin S. Rudisill, Collingswood, N.J.; Donald W. Sanner, Somerset, Pa.; John F. Schwartz, Gettysburg; Ellis I. Shook, Glenside, Pa.; William H. Sperry, Gettysburg; Raymond B. Stouffer, Chambersburg, Pa.; Charles L. Venable, Jr., Oak Park, Ill.; Howard H. Weaner, Jr., West Chester, Pa.; Richard C. Woolson, Sr., Glenside, Pa.; John D. Zimmerman, York, Pa.; and John N. Miller, Lemoyne, Pa.

Our Pledge Party and Dance was held in the chapter house Saturday evening, November 2. Music was supplied by



the Phil Young band from Chambersburg while Hubie Brandenburg arranged suitable decorations. Charlie Williams is now serving as chairman of the social committee assisted by Gil Waldkoenig and John Knorr.

For the college Homecoming Weekend, October 19, many Phi Sig grads were among those present. They witnessed the Gettysburg-Delaware football game and took part in open house at the fraternity. We were glad to see so many alumni present then, and hope for a record attendance at our Founder's Day program in March.

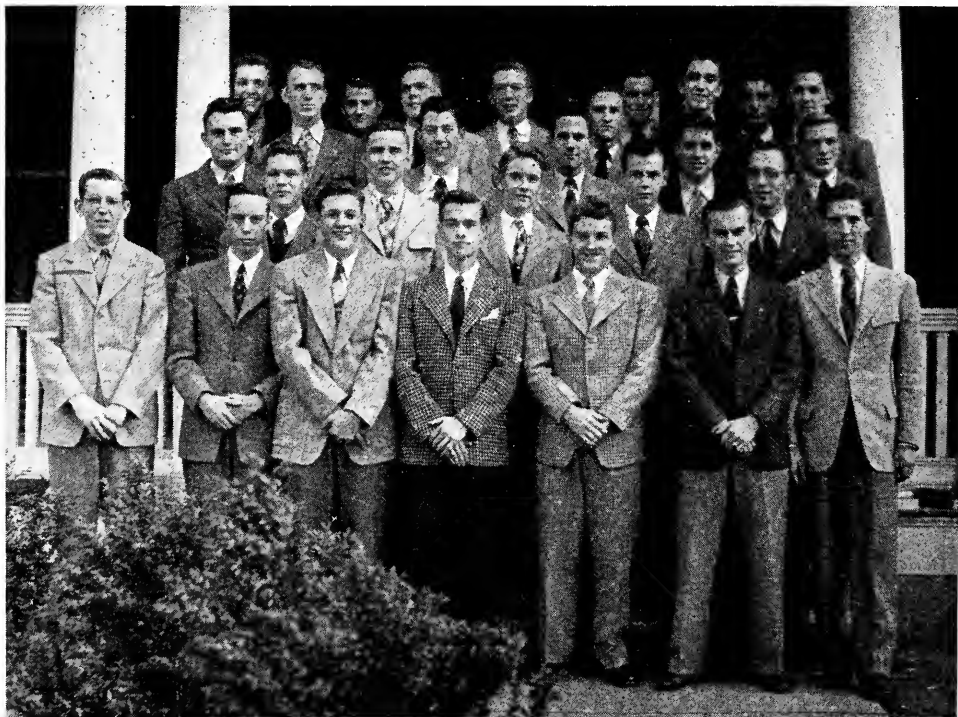
Pledge Brothers Bill Derrick, Max Hopkins, and Charlie Houseworth were on the college junior varsity football squad which went through its season undefeated. Stellar soccer players from the house were Howard "Closet" Hippensteel, "Rock" Musselman, and "Erk" Diehl. The booters made a good show-

ing considering their tough schedule. In the winter sports program pledge brothers Bill Derrick and Larry McClung are out for basketball, while Brothers Joe Schuster and Jack Keller are trying for wrestling.

Jim Graefe's fraternity football team tied for fourth place in the intermural league this fall. They won six, tied two, and lost three. Players included Bill Nolt, Bob Avancena, Ray Bohn, Nick Hassler, Tom Clark, Hippy Hippensteel, Bob O'Connell, John Zimmerman, and Graefe. Les Hicks is heading the Phi Sig basketball quintet.

The Interfraternity Ball was held Friday evening, November 29, with Bobby Sherwood and his orchestra supplying the music. An informal dance was held in the chapter house the following evening.

Pledge Brother Chuck Venable lost all his possessions when the large Student



RHO DEUTERON FALL PLEDGE CLASS

Christian Association building on campus was razed by flames November 23. Chuck was one of the students living on the third floor of the building.

Bob Logan, chairman of the music committee, has published a new song book entitled "Phi Sig Favorites". It includes the fraternity songs and other numbers in the Rho Deuteron repetoire. Joe Schuster and Hubie Brandenburg are his aides on the music committee.

On Tuesday evening, December 10, a "Board of Strategy" of alumni gathered for dinner and a meeting here. The Board, made up of Brothers W. Van-Horn Davies, Carl Chronister, S. F. Snyder, Kenneth P. Hull, W. Waltemyer, C. Paul Cessna, Frank H. Kramer, and Dr. Kenneth Smoke, newly chosen Chapter Adviser, met with the alumni committee of the active chapter to lay plans for burning the house mortgage by Founder's Day, 1947. The committee members are Bob Nemeschy, chairman, Bob O'Connell, and Frank Bretz.

The Christmas house parties were held December 13 and 14. The band was Phil Young's again. Hubie Brandenburg's Decorators, Inc., used "Winter Dell" as a theme. The hall was decorated as a skating pond in the midst of a pine forest. A blue sky with glistening stars was overhead, with pine trees around the wall and blending into the sky. A snow bank rimmed the "pond", and a log cabin was at one end. Appropriate decorations were on the house exterior also.

In conjunction with Phi Mu Sorority, the house held a Christmas party for forty children of the community on Wednesday afternoon, December 18, in the chapter house. Santa Claus seemed to resemble Joe Schuster.

At the final meeting preceeding Christmas vacation, election of officers for the middle term of the school year was held.

## PHI DEUTERON University of Kentucky

By TOM PRATHER

The Phi Sigs are really back at Kentucky! This January finds a very different picture than that of a year ago. The chapter then consisted of four actives. Now Phi Deuteron is a chapter of thirty-four actives and twenty-seven pledges. We have a chapter house and a fine start toward participation in all campus activities.

We have been very lucky in obtaining the things we needed to begin operating our dining room though we were handicapped for a while by not being able to get our living room furniture. We took advantage of the emptiness, however, to hold several dances during the early part of the quarter.

One was held at the end of rush week in honor of our new pledges. We pledged at that time Jim Boaz, Gene Cecil, Charlie Devitt, Darrell Hancock, J. C. Kennard, Frank Mathias, Charlie McKeehan, Charlie Minor, Tommy Montgomery, Bill Newman, Frank Reynolds, Bob Rupard, Bob Summers, Chuck Wade, and Ronald Walker.

Those brothers welcomed back from service this quarter were Bill Thomas, who brought a wife and son back with him, and Moe Walker whose brother Ronald accompanied him and resumed the pledge he had taken in 1943 before the chapter became inactive. Joe Bolton returned from the Navy during the summer and is back with us again too.

Homecoming week-end was also the scene of celebration this year. Quite a few alumni returned to visit and the Saturday night dance served a dual purpose in celebrating the victory over Vanderbilt and in honoring the eleven new brothers added to the active chapter. Those initiated were Bob Gerner, Joe Evans, Chet Hawley, Jim Mac Strother, Jack Dupree, Charlie Barker, Paul

Cheap, John Palumbo, Ordie Davis, Bill Ellison, Clel DeSpain.

We have been ably represented this quarter in varsity athletics by pledges Jay Rhodemyre, J. C. Kennard, and Paul Troop. Jay was first string center here at U.K. and ended the season an Honorable Mention All-American. J. C. was injured in pre-season practice and didn't play regularly, nevertheless was starting fullback when able to play and showed much promise for the three more years he has to go. Those brothers from Alabama and West Virginia who saw these boys play can tell you all about it. Paul Troop, who played "B" team this year, promises to be varsity material next fall. He was outstanding as center in all the games they played.

Intramural athletics last quarter were touch football and volleyball. Our teams were ably coached by Brother "Booge" Jones and Pledge Charlie Minor but didn't quite have enough to win. We played the darkhorse last summer and won the softball crown and were looking forward to the fall season. Now our hopes are on the basketball team which should sweep all before it. A sample was shown to the chapter in a game between the actives and pledges. The game went into overtime period and was finally won by the pledge team 40-38.

Another of our activities last quarter was the promotion of interfraternity relationships. Phi Kappa Tau Chapter here at U.K. joined with us in giving a very successful semi-formal dance. We are looking forward to other dances of this type in the near future. The dance was held at the Lexington Country Club and the music was furnished by Charlie Mack and his orchestra. Charlie, by the way, is one of our pledges and several of the boys play in the orchestra, too.

Some of the boys got the wanderlust and went to a number of out-of-town football games. Brothers Pumphrey,

Senning, and Prather and Pledge Stapleton drove to Montgomery, Ala. with Brother Ellison. Thanks to the hospitality of Omicron Deuteron chapter a fine time was had by all. Jay and J. C. joined us after the game and the party was under way. We wish the Alabama Chapter the best of luck and hope they will pay us a visit this year.

The Tennessee Chapter drew a much larger crowd. About twenty men made the trip to Knoxville and were royally entertained the whole week-end. Many thanks to all the men there. We sincerely hope that they may have as good a time as we did when they visit us next fall, if not sooner. They are welcome any time.

We are quite well represented in campus organizations. Elbert Cheek was recently elected to Lamp and Cross, senior men's leadership fraternity, of which Pat Conley was already a member. Bill Thomas and Tom Prather have been succeeded in Keys, sophomore leadership society, by Ken Midkiff. Ken is secretary of the society and headed one of the committees for the Sadie Hawkins Week and Dance annually sponsored by Keys. Charlie Barker has been joined in Phi Mu Alpha, national music honorary, by Elbert Cheek.

The military side of activities is well covered, also. Bert Cheek is captain of the recently reorganized Pershing Rifle Company and Brothers Barker, Byron, and Taylor are trying out for positions in the company. They are all officers in the Advanced Course R.O.T.C. Brothers Conley, Pumphrey, Moe Walker, Lowry, and Prather are former members, not now eligible for active membership. Brothers Conley and Cheek are also members of Scabbard and Blade, Senior R.O.T.C. honorary. Chet Hawley is the secretary of the local Reserve Officers Association and is doing a fine job.

Along the same line we would like to make a few remarks about our out-

standing pledge. The vice-president of the Veterans' Club is Darrell Hancock, who along with acting as managing editor of the club newspaper, the Post Warrior, has received the honor of the Phi Beta Kappa Freshman Award as the freshman with the highest scholastic standing.

The Newman Club, Catholic students' organization, has elected Pat Conley president and among its members we find Brothers Whitfill, Cheap and Palumbo and Pledge Charlie Devitt. The Pryor Pre-Med Society has among its members Brothers Joe Bolton, Dewey Campbell, Chet Hawley, and Pledge Chuck Wade.

Pledge Jesse is vice-president of Alpha Chi Sigma, chemistry honorary. Paul Cheap is a member of the Student Bar Association. George Judge is on the Agriculture College Council. Tommy Montgomery, pledged this fall, is on the

cheerleading team and did a fine job leading yells for the Big Blue.

Brothers Pumphrey and Barker, and Pledges Mathias and Jesse are members of the Best Band in Dixie. Cheek represents us in the men's chorus and the choristers. Brother Jones and Pledge Jay Rhodemyre are members of "K" club which is composed of winners of major letters.

Toward the end of the quarter several more men pledged Phi Sig. They are John Hays, John Bridges, Bosky King, Earl Cornet, Billy Whitehouse, and Beryl Phillips. The pledges also had an election with these results: president Bill Miranda, vice-president Charlie Minor, and secretary-treasurer Bill Dale. They also decided to inaugurate a quarterly party for the actives and their dates. The first one was held at Gentry's Old Mill and everyone enjoyed it immensely.

The actives also elected for the coming



#### PHI DEUTERON PLEDGE CLASS

Left to right, front row: Chuck Wade, J. C. Kennard, John Palumbo, Frank Reynolds, Jim Mac Strother, Paul Cheap, Joe Evans. Second row: Charlie Barker, Chet Hawley, Darrell Hancock, Ordie Davis, Charlie Devitt, Bill Miranda, Bill Newman, Jack Dupree. Third row: Boyd Jesse, Bob Rupard, Tommy Montgomery, Gene Cecil, Bob Summers, Bill Ellison, Jim Boaz. Top row: Bob Gerner, Clel De Spain, Jay Rhodemyre, Ronald Walker, Charlie Minor, Bill Dale, Harry Boaz.

quarter. Paul Grumbles was elected president; Frank Carollo, vice-president; Tom Prather, secretary; Ken Midkiff, treasurer; Chet Hawley, sentinel; Bill Ellison, inductor. A. L. Atchison, former Region III Director and Phi Deuteron alum., accepted the position of Chapter Adviser. We are very glad to have Atch with us in this capacity.

We also were glad to have Brother Fuchs visit us. We profited greatly by discussing our problems with him and hearing how other chapters dealt with similar situations. We are also keeping in mind his question about the possibility of establishing another chapter here in Kentucky and shall investigate the situation.

The social program for the first of the next quarter is all set to go. We are looking forward to the week-end parties and dances that have been planned. We are planning quite a few other entertainments and plan to climax the quarters social activities with a gala Founders' Day Banquet and Moonlight Girl Formal that will be the best ever to be put on by Phi Deuteron Chapter.

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### BETA DEUTERON University of Minnesota

When President Merle Gorder calls a house meeting of Beta Deuteron Chapter these days, the Standing Room Only sign goes up outside the door of the main lounge. Initiation of nine new actives in November brought the chapter roll to 33, and a successful rushing program during the fall quarter raised the pledge roll to 19.

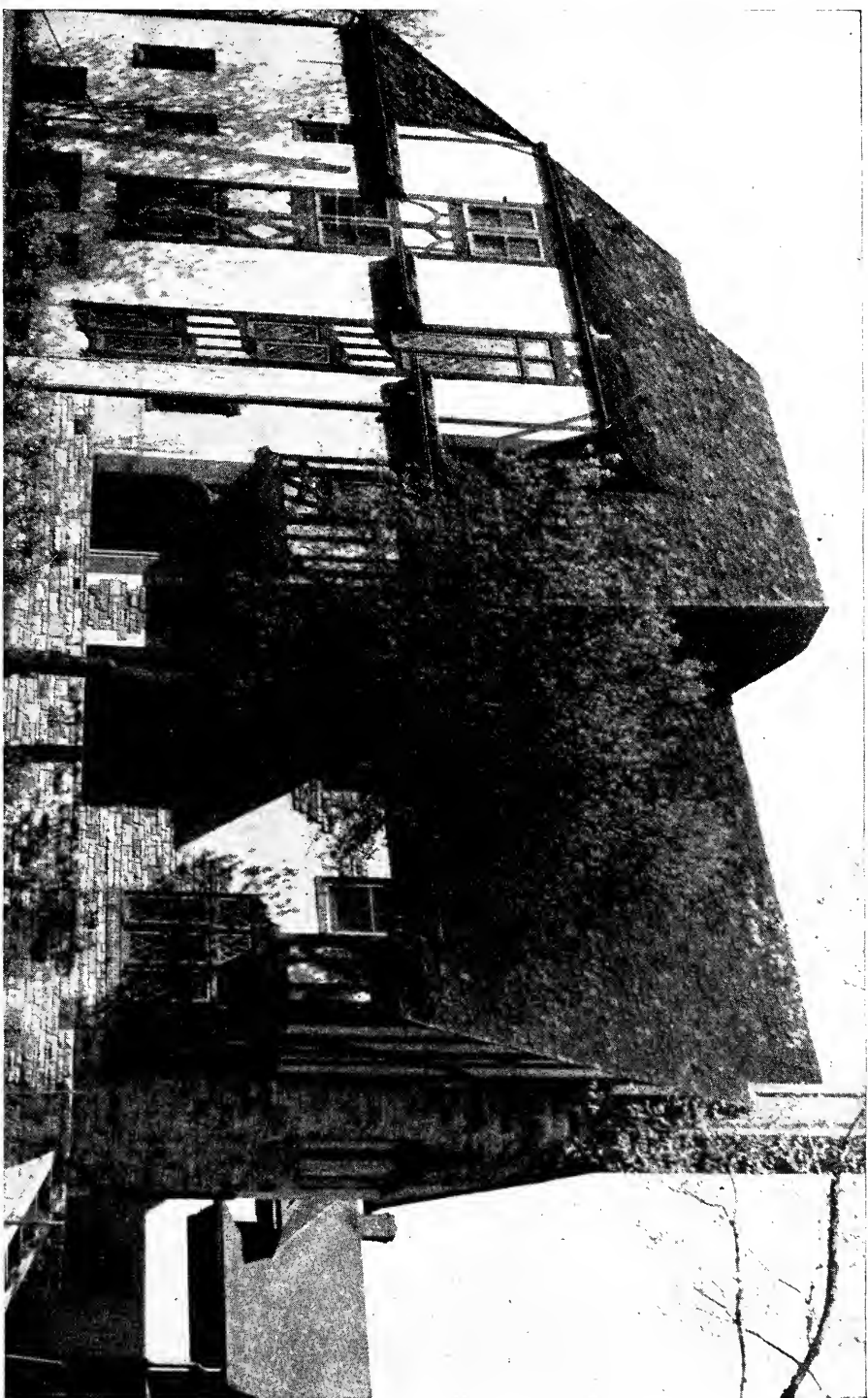
These figures represent a startling comeback for Phi Sigma Kappa on the University of Minnesota campus. A year and a half ago, there was no active chapter at Minnesota, and the chapter house was overrun by the young fry of a neighborhood youth recreation center.

Fortunately, the chapter's alumni association was flying straight and level.

Just as a lot of fathers took over responsibilities of sons in service, so did Beta Deuteron's alumni look after the interests of the chapter during the war years. Their efforts were essential, because the active chapter, to a man, deserted the campus for the training camps and stations. In February, 1942, alone, the chapter lost 22 men to the armed forces. (Twenty-five percent of all academic fraternity men in the service from the University of Minnesota were Phi Sigs.) After the last active pulled out in the spring of 1943, the alumni offered the chapter house to the University for the school year of 1943-44 to accommodate army trainees. When the University had no further use for the house, it was rented to the youth association on a short term basis.

The end of the war did not bring the old actives back to the campus immediately. In fact, none of them had returned by spring quarter of 1945, so the alumni went to work on a plan of their own to re-activate the chapter. Brothers Frank Barlow, Warnie Getchell, and Don McLaughlin consulted with the University administration and worked out the basis on which the University would recognize a re-constituted chapter. Frank Barlow, Jr., an undergraduate, interested six fellow undergraduates in the plan, and in June, 1945, they were initiated in a ceremony conducted by the alumni at the home of Brother Getchell. The neighborhood kids took their jacks and went home, and when the fall quarter rolled around, Phi Sigs were once more living, studying, partying, and rushing—especially rushing—in the house at 317 18th Avenue S. E.

The membership has grown with each succeeding quarter. Some of the old, pre-war actives are back again now: Dick Greve, Walt Sanborn, Guy Renzaglia, Elmer Moen, Dick Luther, Bob Schweitzer, Jack Smith, Reuben Onsted, Hibbard Smith, and Bob Kuhn. A strong nucleus



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are ex-Navy "fly boys," and a majority of the chapter are enrolled in the Institute of Technology. Saturday afternoons this fall they have turned out en masse to watch Bernie Bierman's Gophers start their comeback climb, and more particularly, to watch Brother Harry Elliott in his first-year chance at left half. High point of a strenuous social season was the Klondike party, a beards-and-bustles affair at which the brothers and their dates staked claims to a big time and crowned Alpha Gam Helen Harding and Alum Reuben Lovering their gold-rush king and queen. An unscheduled event of the quarter was the enforced return of Brother Bob Shaw, bound and gagged, to the Alpha Omicron Pi house with some purloined furniture. The AOPi's kept the furniture but sent Bob back.

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### GAMMA TRITON University of So. Carolina

By VASSAR ESLINGER

At the beginning of the fall semester Gamma Triton set to with a will to renovate herself, completely iron out the war-time kinks and once again resume her place as one of the major and leading fraternities on the campus. We reviewed and rewrote our "by-laws" and then went to work on fraternal education, again impressing everyone with the fraternity principles, aims and ideals. A discerning eye was turned on pledge education, all withstood the shock of realizing that with all privileges and advantages go obligations and responsibilities. This got the chapter squared away and we set to the immediate task of having the best year of our history.

Came the rush season, came the new pledges, went the rush season, went the idea that fraternities were all play and no work. This was replaced by a period of serious study. It lasted two weeks. During the time the new pledges fully realized what our reputation of not hav-

ing the largest membership but the best spirit of brotherhood on the campus meant.

The several fine parties exhausted the social desires of the brotherhood and developed a desire for sports competition, so while waiting for the interfraternity football schedule to get underway, Gamma Triton instigated an interfraternity bowling league in which we are very admirably holding our own under the coaching of the team captain, Brother Ed Boswell.

The chapter lost a very able officer when Brother Noah Broadway found it necessary to resign as president. However, he had laid such a good foundation that our good work and progress continued even with the gavel pounding of ye scribe.

Formal initiation in October saw Tommy Smeltzer, Henry Gaddis, Bill Boswell "Skeeter" Reeves, Johnny Bradham and Hugh Winters joining the inner circle as actives with about eight more pledges applying for initiation in December.

Quite a few of the brothers visited other chapters during the following of the football team, and we want to invite all who get the chance to drop by to see what we can dig up for you in the line of Southern Belles or Essence of Carolina Moonshine (It will conform to all Federal malt and pure food acts.)

As tho the fact that the Phi Sigs are quite the social lions need accenting, we introduced an orange blossom theme. Brother Everett Dean permanently acquired for the chapter Columbia College's most attractive senior. Pledge Ralph Gross got an inside look at matrimony December the twelfth. Brother Bill Cooper steadied his knees and walked down the isle with one of the South's loveliest blondes while Brother Vassar Eslinger (me, that is) brought home an Irish lady with a slight Spanish accent—Dios Mio—It's time to go. Hasta Luego.



## CHI DEUTERON Washington State College

By GERALD E. WEITZ

In true fraternal spirit, the Chi Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa has rebounded from its inactive war-time status to once again rank as a strong and highly efficient living group. Thanks to the guidance and leadership of several pre-war members and of those who became members during the past year, Chi Deuteron is working its way to top recognition on the campus of Washington State.

Those who remember the good ol' days before the war cannot deny that Phi Sigma Kappa at WSC was "tops" among all group houses. Then came the call to service and gradually the chapter was reduced from a "powerhouse" to two full years of inactivity.

The strong pre-war standing of this fraternity indicates what good leadership and hard, conscientious work will do. Today, at "Cougarville," Phi Sigma Kappa has these high-quality leaders. It has a fine group of young men who are getting a start in college and who realize the important role a fraternity plays in helping one make a success of his college career. They are "the hope of the future," and judging from the calibre of men now affiliated with the chapter, it is certain that Chi Deuteron is well on its way to top recognition once again.

This fall semester at WSC opened late, but once school got under way, the campus was booming with activity. The Phi Sigs kept astride with all the activity and carried on, in good, customary fashion, their own chapter activities of rushing, initiation, election of officers, and formal pledging, among other activities. Realizing the great importance for more men of exceptional personality, ability, and achievement in the building of a strong chapter, they anxiously looked forward to the fall rushing season. The

members arrived at the fraternity to participate in the rush program one week before school had officially begun. Even though the State College broke all previous records with almost 6,000 student enrollees—nearly 4,000 being men students—and despite the fact that "the field was wide open" with many fine fra-



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ternity prospects, rushing was done in a most cautious, systematic manner. During the first week, over 60 guests had visited at the house, many of them having been guests several times during the week.

At the end of the rush period, the following fifteen men were pledged: Jim and Bob Davis, Dorsey Martin, Bill and Bob McCoy, Eddie McKown, Hal Mead, Vern Pritchard, Al Reisser, Roy Boltz, Bob Cochran, Chad Coleman, Gene Kelley, Hal Lyons, and Bob Mein-

eke. This group is supplemented by the return of pre-war pledges Louie Black and Bert Lehn and by Tom Forland who pledged last May. To say that this pledge class is an ideal fraternity group "in the making," is to say the least.

Nine new members now proudly dis-



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play the Phi Sig jeweled badge after formal initiation culminating a lively "neophyte week." The happy newcomers to membership are Dean Allen, Henry Baesen, Bob Kittleson, Blaine Madden, Norm Majer, Melvin McDougall, Norry Pearson, Stan Peterson, and Stan Thompson. This event took place during the second week of November.

"Though the college was late in opening its doors for the fall semester, the fraternity had its doors open early to welcome back members who had been seeing the world. These men included Roscoe Balch, Jim Boyer, Blaine Fletcher, Max Jackson, Dale Martin, Herb Nunn,

Dean Rumburg, and Bob Strickler. In addition to these men, eleven other members, who attended school last semester, have returned to college.

Fraternity elections in November resulted in the installation of the following Cabinet members: Vern Jaquish, president; Dale Martin, vice-president; Leo Jensen, secretary; Max Jackson, sentinel; Herb Nunn, inductor. Clyde Morrell, house manager, continues as treasurer, having received the unanimous vote of the group. Jack Daniel was elected social chairman and Dean Rumburg was elected rush chairman.

The Chi Deuteronians of today are more activity-minded than ever before. An old fraternity belief—that social functions and extra-curricular activities are necessary toward a well-balanced college education—still prevails. The chapter has always been well represented in social functions and in the various activities of college life. It is the popular opinion here that a diversified program, wisely planned, will develop a more versatile and more integrated personality; it will develop stronger character and promotes a better brotherhood. While stressing the social and extra-curricular values, the house has never failed to maintain high scholastic standing. In this respect, Phi Sigma Kappa at Washington State has also ranked among the leaders.

Everyone enjoyed the very successful semi-formal pledge dance on November 9. A capacity crowd danced at the fraternity house to the rhythmical music of the "Gentlemen of Note." Entertainment was furnished and refreshments were served at intermission. The fraternity received many fine compliments for the occasion. Special congratulations were extended by Miss Hilda Swenson, Dean of Women, who was the chaperone for the evening.

The Halloween fireside dance was one of the finest informal functions ever

known to the old members of the house. Several other social functions were held, among them being an after-dinner dance with Alpha Chi Omega Sorority, an open fireside dance, and a special dinner with Vice President of the college Dean Herbert Kimbrough and Mrs. Kimbrough as guests. Dean Kimbrough is an alumnus of Phi Sigma Kappa. The traditional Christmas party and informal fireside dance was held on December 13.

The Phi Sigs haven't done badly with the girls, despite the 2-1 odds against them. Dale Martin "lost" his fraternity jewel recently as did Blaine Fletcher. At the present rate of pin-hangings, Clyde Morrell, popular baritone and outstanding post graduate in music, and his Phi Sig chorus will have a full-time job of serenading.

There are many Phi Sig men who are prominent in varsity athletic competition this year. The house is especially proud of the great season Dean Rumburg turned in for coach Phil Sorboe's Cougar football team. Brother Rumburg, a sophomore end, was particularly outstanding this fall and is eligible for two more years of competition. Hank Baesen and Bob Kittleson were varsity tennis stars last year and show promise of having an even better season next spring. Tom Forland is "Doc" Bohler's new skiing find, while Norry Pearson is counted upon heavily this year to help contribute to a good swimming season. Dean Allen is working hard to get in shape for the varsity wrestling team. Jack Daniel ranks as one of the finest golfers in the Northwest. Last spring, Jack was easily the ranking man in varsity golf. Last summer, in an Inland Empire golf tournament at Spokane, Jack came within a "hair" of beating Ken Storey, one of the country's best. Stan Peterson and Bert Lehn are vigorously training for the coming varsity track season. Lehn has already competed in three cross-country races. Phi Sigs also had a hand in the

traditional Veterinary-Pharmacy football battle. Roscoe Balch, backfield speedster, was instrumental in the Veterinarians' 7-0 victory by returning a punt 76 yards for a touchdown.

Interest and enthusiasm in intramural sports has hit a new high on the campus, and the Phi Sigs are right in the thick



CLYDE MORRELL

of activity for 'mural honors. In the recent "Turkey Trot" (two and a half mile cross country race), which was staged the weekend before Thanksgiving, the boys came through in great style. With at least 20 groups competing and over 300 students running, the Phi Sig team outran enough opposition to win third place handily. A prize was awarded to Hal Lyons, first Phi Sig pledge to cross the finish line. Intramural basketball is now in progress, and the silver and magenta team is giving a good account of itself. Big things are expected of the Phi Sig volleyball team when play begins after the basketball season.

Group singing is a part of the everyday life of a Phi Sig here. Fraternity and college songs are sung during every evening meal, led by Clyde Morrell, who is working for his master's degree in music. In addition to this, Morrell has developed a small, selected group of singers into a house chorus. The members of the chorus are aiming to give a good account of themselves in the all-campus songfest next spring. Other than serenading, the chorus is also active in singing for special social functions of the fraternity. Brother Morrell also directs a church choir in which several members of the house chorus are active. He is a member of Phi Mu Alpha, music honorary for men, teaches voice at the college music department, and deserves much credit for his fine work as music chairman of the fraternity.

The chapter is represented by many others in various campus activities, clubs, honoraries, etc. President Jaquish made a trip to Denver in October to attend a convention as the local delegate of Alpha Kappa Psi, professional business fraternity. He is also a member of Alpha Phi Omega, service fraternity, as is Dick Kernighan, Norry Pearson, Bob Meineke, and Verne Pritchard. Brother Kernighan, past president of Chi Deuteron, is now the interfraternity council representative. Dale Martin and Stan Thompson are on the college newspaper staff. The former is a pledge of Sigma Delta Chi, national journalistic fraternity for men, while the latter is also a member of the college radio station chorus and college choir. Norm Majer is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He is also the house's leading amateur photographer and is taking pictures for the college newspaper. Derald Lyman and Jack Daniel are well-known college radio and speech personalities, Daniel being a member of the National Collegiate Radio Guild, and teaming up with Joe Hirsch,

they were the fraternity's representatives in intramural debating. Leo Jensen, Blaine Fletcher, and Jim McKinlay are members of the all-Ag Club. McKinlay is also a member of the college YMCA and in conjunction with this, conducts the activities of a young boy's club. Jay Miller and Chad Coleman are members of the Junior American Veterinary Medical Association. Coleman is also a member of Alpha Zeta, agricultural honorary. Ken Scholz is a member of the Forestry Club; Eddie McKown is a Frosh football manager; Hal Mead and Gene Kelly are Intercollegiate Knights, and Melvin McDougall is a member of both the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and of the Associated Engineers.

Yes, things are taking shape out Pullman way. Because of the quality of its men, Chi Deuteron has a bright future, and this important goal is gradually being realized:

The chapter is rapidly establishing itself as once again THE Fraternity of the college.

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**ALPHA TRITON**  
**Wesleyan University**

By BILL GRAMLEY

The Alpha Triton Chapter has at last thrown off all vestiges of wartime restrictions and is perhaps functioning even more strongly at the present time than ever before. Re-opening the house for the first time since it had been forced to close during the war, the returning brothers pitched in with a spirit of co-operation typical of true fraternal spirit and by dint of hard labor, managed to restore the condition of the house to normalcy in time for pledging. Their efforts were well rewarded, and under the very fine leadership of Rushing Chairman George Freifeld, a freshman delegation of twelve good men was pledged. These men are: Dave Beebe,

Bob Eastman; Carl Eiser; Adair Cummins; Len Hippler; Corban Jenkins; Don MacCoy; Don MacDonald; Bill Manahan; Cliff Milner; Mike Kripas; and George Stewart. Along with these men, a member of the sophomore class was pledged, namely, Onno Buss. Pledges Kripas and MacDonald played on the freshman football team, while Manahan, Beebe, and Hippler stretched their legs out on the frosh track team. A Pledge Dance was held October 12th which was thoroughly enjoyed by both pledges and brothers and served to bring them more closely together.

October 26-27 was Alumni Week-end here at Wesleyan, and the Phi Sigs welcomed back some forty-odd returned brothers whose joyful presence fairly rocked the house on its foundations. Each class was well represented and it was certainly a wonderful thing to see the warmth and spirit with which these old buddies greeted each other in a renewal of active fraternity. After attending the Wesleyan-Amherst football game and rooting the home team to a glorious victory over its Little Three rival, the brothers assembled together in a meeting to approve the Constitution of the newly-organized Alumni Association of the Alpha Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, and to elect officers of the Association. The lack of a strong alumni body had been felt keenly in the past, and this Alumni Association has been formed for the purpose of maintaining a more closely-knit relationship between the graduate brothers themselves, and, through an Advisory Council within the Association, between the active chapter and the alumni. The meeting was honored by the presence of Brother Donald Downing, Regional Director, whose brief remarks and keen interest added greatly to its success.

Fall house-parties were held on the week-end of November 16th. An informal open-house dance on Friday night

started the festivities, followed Saturday by the last football game of the season, a cocktail party after the game, and a formal dance Saturday evening. The brothers, pledges, and their dates swayed rhythmically to the music of a six-piece orchestra imported from Springfield for the occasion. House President Harry Detjen was among the more amusing brothers that evening as he joyously celebrated the conclusion of the first undefeated, untied football season in the history of the college, during which Harry played a lot of fine guard. On Sunday, the brothers quietly bade farewell to their female companions of the week-end, and another house-party became just a pleasant memory.

In the field of sports this fall, Phi Sigs were well represented by Brother Detjen who played guard on the Varsity football team, and by Brothers Watts, Gramley, Nettles, and Beaton, all of whom played regularly on the J.V. Soccer team. At the present time, Brothers Lorensen, Detjen, and Witt are making a bid for positions on the basketball squad, while Brothers Gramley, Webel, and Price are battling to win spots in their respective weight classes on the wrestling team. Pledge Onno Buss is representing Phi Sig as a candidate for the swimming team. The Phi Sigs should prove very strong in the intramural basketball and wrestling competition this winter, and are looking forward to copping the crown in both of these sports.

Brother Dick Sweet, '44, former tackle on the football team, is now a Graduate Assistant in Chemistry here at Wesleyan and is living in the house this year.

The chapter officers at the present time are: Brother Harry Detjen, pres.; Brother Ben Morgan, vice-pres.; Brother Jack Cowan, secretary; Brother George Nettles, treasurer; Brother Dick Preston, ass't treasurer; Brother Tom Price, inductor; Brother Lou LaRoche, sentinel. Brother Lou Whitney is social chair-

man, ably assisted by Brother Bob Stevens, while Brothers Watts and Gramley make up the Scholarship Committee. Brother Dick "Tami" Foxall supplies the comic relief to the other brothers.

The chapter would like to mention that it enjoyed very much the visit of Brother Bill Gott, Field Secretary. Brother Gott stayed with us several days, and we found him to be 6' 8" of friendliness. We feel sure that the other chapters on which he calls will find him to be the same, and we of Alpha Triton are looking forward to his return visit.

In closing, we should like to congratulate Brother Sam Phillips Jr., '28, upon his recent appointment as Endowment Trustee.

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### BETA TRITON Knox College

By LEW SCHRECEGOST

Beta Triton is on the high road in its first post-war year at Knox. The chapter house was officially returned on July first and an extensive renovation program was immediately instituted by Brothers Herb Weigand, Jim Moser, Chuck Trenka, Bob Watson, and Lew Schrecengost. The fall quarter found Brothers Bob Bartz, Al Kahlenberg, Dave Heller, Bob Strauss, Bill Weber, Fritz Eaton, Dwight Morrow, Dick Janke, Don Lyman, George Stefek, Jack Carlson, George Porter, and Jack Tower, in addition to those already mentioned, returning to school and eager for a successful rush week. Hard work and excellent cooperation paid a dividend of thirty fine pledges. This started things rolling in a big way.

Brother George Porter was a member of the Siwash football squad. Brother Lyman and Pledges Parker, Lane Miller, Dick Miller, Dick Paul, Bonavia, Plantenga, and Sargent were members of the cross-country team. Brother Lyman captained the harriers and Pledge

Loren Alpers was manager. Lyman, Parker, and Dick Miller won the intramural meet and presented the chapter with the prize, a huge Thanksgiving turkey. The prize was disposed of at a pre-Thanksgiving banquet which was held at the chapter house on November twenty-fourth.

The Homecoming Relay was won hands down by Pledges Parker, Mel-sheimer, Larson and Ken Paul. They finished a full lap in front of the nearest competitor. The winners were greeted at the chapter house after the football game by numerous alumni who had returned for the first real homecoming in several years. Brother Bob Bartz did an excellent job as chairman of the Student Council Homecoming committee.

Now that winter is here Brother Eaton and Pledges Bonavia, Plantenga, and Dick Miller are aspirants for the Knox cage squad. Brother Jack Carlson and Pledges Parker, and Sargent have been taking frequent plunges in the pool in preparation for the swimming season.

Pledges Dave Owens and Mel Castell are devotees of the Thespian art, having taken part in several productions in the Knox Theatre as well as helping Pledges Kotite, Chapman, and Rothgeb on the stage crew.

Pledge Ben Jones is assisting Brothers Lew Schrecengost and Dwight Morrow on the business staff of the Siwasher, the college magazine. Pledges Ken Paul and Dick Paul are on the editorial staff of the Knox Student, the weekly newspaper. Pledges Hughes, Taylor, Porter, Castell, and Lane Miller are members of the Knox choir. Brother Janke is the Secretary-Treasurer of Chi Alpha Omega, a religious fraternity.

The social season opened at the chapter house the latter part of October with an informal "Vic" party. It was continued with a very informal "Fall Party". The theme was "carnival time", with the house decorated appropriately. Pre-

ceding the party the traditional pledge bicycle race from Whiting Hall, the girls' dormitory, to the chapter house was won by Ralph Plantenga. Pledge John Rothgeb, a very clever amateur magician, was the highlight of the entertainment.

At elections held in October Brother Bob Strauss succeeded Brother Lew Schrecengost as president of the chapter. Other chapter officers are D. Morrow, vice-president, Jim Moser, treasurer, Jack Carlson, secretary, Fritz Eaton, sentinel, and Dick Janke, inductor. Brother George Porter is house manager and Dave Heller is steward.

Things are rolling now in Beta Triton and once again the Phi Sig future on the Knox campus looks very bright.

## ETA TRITON University of Akron

By SAM SALEM

With the coming of the first snow of the year in Akron the Phi Sigs got ready for a long winter.

But as a climax to an enjoyable autumn season we donned tuxedos and stiff shirts on the evening of November 29 and attended a fraternity formal held at the Shady Hollow country club, a swank establishment on the outskirts of Canton. The affair was excellently planned by Brothers Andy Oravez and Gordon Harrod.

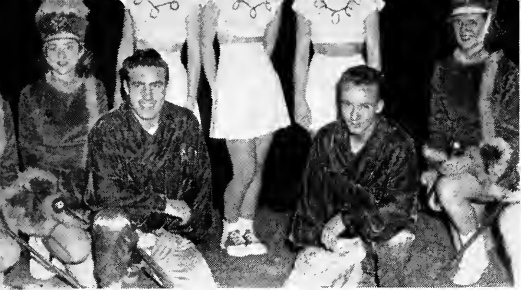
Each girl received a red and white carnation, representing the fraternity colors, and a pendant with a Phi Sigma Kappa crest on it.



BETA TRITON PLEDGE CLASS

Left to right, front row: Lane Miller, Aledo, Ill.; John Rothgeb, Galesburg, Ill.; Loren Alpers, Colfax, Ill.; Melvin Castell, Chicago, Ill.; Dave Owens, Flossmoor, Ill.; Ben Sargent, Park Ridge, Ill.; John Maxwell, Lanark, Ill. Second row: Edward Horn, Northbrook, Ill.; Fred Melsheimer, Chicago, Ill.; Allen Diershaw, West Chicago, Ill.; Bob Roman, Galesburg, Ill.; Theron Hughes, Galesburg, Ill.; Robert J. Larson, Chicago, Ill.; Robert Chapman, Galesburg, Ill. Third row: Jack Carlson, Rockford, Ill.; Ben Jones, Elgin, Ill.; Jack Bonavia, Rockford, Ill.; Dick Miller, Galesburg, Ill.; Ken Paul, White Plains, N. Y.; Richard Paul, Oak Park, Ill.; George Porter, St. Charles, Ill.; Robert Reed, Chicago, Ill. Fourth row: Robert W. Larson, Galesburg, Ill.; Jim Porter, Bay City, Mich.; Ted Parker, Park Ridge, Ill.; Fred Tress, Ottawa, Ill.; Don Kotite, White Plains, N. Y.; Ralph Plantenga, Lafayette, Ind.





Here are the people who helped the football team keep students of the University of Akron entertained during the recent season. Kneeling in front are acrobatic cheerleaders Brothers Dick Hansford and Bob Cross. The drum majorettes are Pat Allen, Betty Bisque, and Jane Horn. Standing in the background are Betty Rae Walz, Allene Robinson, and Pat Werner.

We were especially honored since we had as a guest Brother John Pfahl of the Penn State chapter, who escorted Floradell Atwater. Miss Atwater is a Phi Mu at the University of Akron.

After the dance most of the members returned to the chapter house where members of the mother's club had arrangements for a reception.

Well, football is over and although the Phi Sigs cannot boast of any brother playing on the first team, we are happy to report that two of the brothers, Dick Hansford and Bob Cross, aided their university in the capacity of acrobats on the cheerleading team. One can hardly imagine our pride at the games when we would look down on the gridiron and watch our brothers flipping each other around the field. Although they had many close shaves, the gruesome twosome completed the season with only a few black and blue marks. Incidentally, Dick and Bob are also members of the University's gym team.

Eta Triton is in a way celebrating its first anniversary. Yes it was only a year ago that the alumni of the Akron Phi Sigma Kappa club rushed and pledged the first post-war Eta Triton pledge class, thus reorganizing a chapter that had been inactive during the war. Since then we have gone far, today ranking in both size and quality with any fraternity on campus. Slowly but surely the brothers are working their way up to

responsible campus positions. Last fall Bob Cross was elected to the student council and Don Jenkins to the dance committee. At the last spring election Sam Salem and Don Jenkins were elected to the rally committee. Brother Salem is also feature editor on the University of Akron newspaper, *The Buchtelite*.

Brothers Jim Thorne, Jim Campbell, and Ted Boecker are keeping the Phi Sig light burning backstage during University theatre productions, while Guido Listella is the treasurer of the Spanish Club and secretary-treasurer of the Pan-American Club.

Speaking of the theater, Pledge Harry Maurer recently landed a leading role in the play "Junior Miss." His one and only entrance took place in the third act when he bounced on the stage as one of the many boy friends of the young Graves girl. However his exit came split seconds afterwards when the "old man" kicked him out. Although he didn't even utter one word Pledge Maurer insists that he stole the show because of the silly expression he made when Mr. Graves' foot reached him.

Elections were held in November with these results: president, Ralph Herran; vice-president, Jim Campbell; secretary, Dick Hansford; treasurer, Pat O'Brien; sentinel, Jim Ederer.

All five of the new officers are veterans and served in the army, except Brother Campbell who was third ass't. engineer in the merchant marine.

Brother Harran worked on the Atomic Bomb project.

Bob Brown, the former president, was the official representative for the active chapter to Regional Conclave held December 7 in Columbus. Brother George Richards, our alumni adviser, also attended. Many other members from Eta Triton went along as unofficial representatives.

An Epidemic of "pinningitis" has swept the chapter. Brother Ralph McIntyre started the ball rolling by pinning Carolyn Turner, a dashing Delta Gam. Shortly afterwards Andy Oravec placed his pin on Phyllis Opp's sweater. Soon Martha Wiley, Margaret Swartz, June Kirkpatrick, and Mary Merle were proudly wearing the pins of Brothers Bill Dunn, Carl Maurer, Pete Cameron, and Don Jenkins. All of the girls attended the University of Akron except Miss Merle, who is a senior at Kenmore High School in Akron. She is a drum majorette and recently was a runner-up for varsity queen. Miss Kirkpatrick was a marine sergeant.

The Phi Sigs upheld an old fraternity custom by serenading the girls and presenting them with flowers.

And many of the PSK's are sure glad that Brother Jim Lhota decided to fall in love with Marilyn McKimm, a co-ed at Notre Dame College for Women in Cleveland, Ohio. Being a kind hearted person Jim made arrangements for a picnic at Notre Dame so that last month about thirty Phi Sigs journeyed to Cleveland where they were greeted by thirty glamorous Notre Dames co-eds. The picnic was followed by a dance.

As proof that a good time was had by all, many of the Notre Dammers were recently escorted to the Phi Sig formal. Miss Vicky Abraham, who came with Brother Jerry Smith, was heard to comment to the Smith named Jerry, "My, but you sure look different without grass stains on your face."

Incidentally, Brother Smith, who will



Pictured above are the Phi Sigs as they serenaded Carolyn Turner, Delta Gamma, when Brother Ralph McIntyre pinned her. Brother McIntyre is pictured at the extreme left. From left to right in the front row are Brothers McIntyre, Jim Campbell, Dick Hansford, Fred Conner, Bob Cross, Len Long, Sam Salem, Bill Thompson, and Ted Boecker. Second row: Hayes Carlin, Jack Bond, Carl Maurer, Tom Ohriel, Bruce Jackson, and Paul Hrea. Last row: Bob Allen, Ted Jentz, Gordon Harrod, Ed McSweeney, Ralph Herron, and Bill Hinks.

graduate this January, is planning to open a private airport in the near future. The plans have been made, 79 acres have been obtained, and now all he is waiting for is an approval from the City Planning Commission.

Special attention should be given to Ossie Shama and Dick Marsteller, two recent pledges into Phi Sigma Kappa. Ossie, an ex-G.I., has returned home to regain the title of jitterbug champ in Akron. He is also a master of waltzes and rhumbas and at the present is giving his fellow pledges and active members dancing instructions.

Pledge Marsteller is the proud father of a bouncing baby boy. Although married men are quite common in the chapter, Dick is the first active member to be a father.

Two Phi Sigs, Aubrey Allman and Ralph McIntyre, were added to the University faculty list this semester. The former is a part-time instructor in Natural Science and Brother McIntyre an instructor in English.

Well, with the basketball season well under way and a full social calendar already prepared many Phi Sigs at the U. of A. will no doubt be forced to let social activities interfere with studies. So we'll be seeing you in the next SIGNET to tell you how we made out.

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### SCHOLZ SPEAKS AT FOREIGN POLICY LUNCHEON

Dr. Karl Scholz, Mu '11, Wharton School (University of Pennsylvania) economist, speaking at the luncheon of the Foreign Policy Committee at the Ben Franklin Hotel, in Philadelphia on November 9, said "stability of the dollar is one of the first requisites of world peace," and warned the United States must be "willing to increase our imports" if money now being loaned abroad to rebuild manufacturing facilities is to be repaid.

### OFFICIAL NOTICE OF REGIONAL CONCLAVES

Attention: Chapters, clubs, and members of the several Degrees of Phi Sigma Kappa.

#### Region V

February 15, 16, 1947  
Omega Deuteron Chapter House  
938 W. 28th Street  
Los Angeles, California  
Opening session: 9 A. M., Feb. 15  
Franklin C. Palm, Regional Director.

#### Region VI

February 7, 8, 9, 1947  
Theta Deuteron Chapter House  
14th & Jackson Streets  
Corvallis, Oregon  
Opening session: 4 P. M., Feb. 7  
Bruce C. Bean, Regional Director.

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### EARL JOHNSON ELECTED STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Earl L. Johnson, Theta Deuteron '29, Republican candidate for state representative from the eleventh district, Benton County, Oregon, was elected to that office in the November elections to serve for the coming term.

Brother Johnson was recently discharged from the U. S. Navy where he served as Lt. Senior Grade for three and one-half years. For over a year, he served on Vice-Admiral Kincaid's staff in the southwest Pacific. Prior to this, Johnson served as communications officer for the Charleston Navy Base.

After being released from the navy, he returned to his home in Corvallis, Oregon, where he reorganized his business as insurance broker and resumed his duties as secretary-treasurer of Theta Deuteron's alumni association.

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**Kenneth R. Murphy**, Lambda '46, who served with the Army Air Corps in the South Asia Theatre was released from service, January, 1946. He is now attending Joplin Junior College.

# Region Four Conclave

Region Four held its first post-war conclave at the Fort Hayes Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, on Saturday, December 7, 1946. The conclave convened at 9:45 A. M. in the Colonial Room of the Fort Hayes Hotel. Regional Director D. R. Collins was in charge and all chapters in the Region were represented.

Herbert L. Brown, President of the Grand Chapter and Earl F. Schoening, Secretary-Treasurer of the Grand Chapter and Editor of *THE SIGNET* were the other national officers present. Eugene P. Barta, Alpha Deuteron, was appointed secretary to the conclave.

One representative of each chapter gave a short resume of chapter activities in the years since the last conclave and of the present chapter conditions. A discussion of monthly audits and monthly house bills followed. It was brought out that at Alpha Deuteron a fine is imposed against all members whose house bills are delinquent after the 10th of the month. At Alpha Deuteron the active chapter treasurer must be approved by the alumni corporation which owns the chapter house. Their prospective treasurer lives with the current treasurer for a semester before taking over the treasurer's job. The treasurer is paid \$30.00 a month.

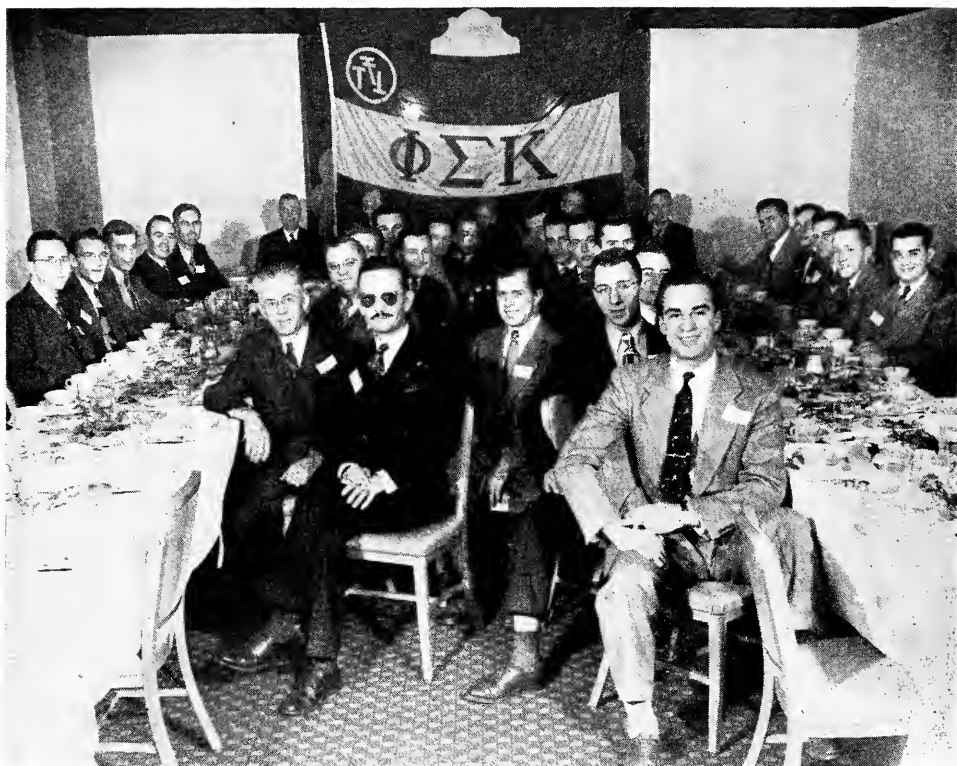
President Brown stated that he was very much opposed to popularity contests in elections; that men best suited to do the job should be elected and that if there are no qualified men available the incumbent officers should be retained quarter after quarter. In discussing discipline and pledge education it was brought out that all chapters used the pledge manual.

David J. Heller opened the afternoon session with a discussion on fraternity expansion. President Brown reported on what the national fraternity is doing about expansion. He urged the chapters

to keep in touch with the national headquarters on expansion movements.

Brother Johnson of Beta Deuteron presided at the discussion on rushing. It was brought out that at Eta Triton high school records are obtained from representatives of the local high schools. At Beta Triton the secretary obtains the college entrance list; summer rushing is conducted and during the fall rush week one compulsory rush date is required of each rushee at each fraternity on the campus and that a maximum of two voluntary dates are permitted. Although Delta Triton holds a regular fall rush week, informal rushing seemed to be the keynote of their rush system. They rushed campus acquaintances showing fraternity interest. It was apparent, except for Delta Deuteron, rushing was no problem. At Delta Deuteron (Michigan) however, no contact with rushees is allowed outside of the prescribed rush period and the great number of rules of their preferential rush system is anything but helpful to fraternities. This situation seemed unique in view of the great number of students desiring fraternity membership. President Brown urged the chapters to acknowledge recommendations promptly and to thank alumni for their interest. He cautioned the chapters to consider legacies carefully and said that although a chapter is not obliged to pledge legacies, all legacies should be entertained and given every consideration. President Brown called to the attention of the chapter delegates the importance of sending chapter alumni news and pictures to *THE SIGNET* because all of these items make excellent publicity for the chapter and can be used in rushing.

Brother Claus A. Nacke of Delta Triton led the discussion on scholarship. Brother Schoening urged each of the chapters to enlarge their libraries and to make full use of them. Brother John-



REGION IV CONCLAVE DINNER

son of Beta Triton suggested that the Council set up an award for the undergraduate best living up to the Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa. The representatives from Alpha Deuteron told of the "Chappie" Burrows award. The platinum diamond-studded Phi Sigma Kappa badge worn by the late President Alvin T. Burrows, was given to Alpha Deuteron Chapter by his daughters after his death, and the chapter now awards the badge at the end of each year to the Junior having the highest all-University average; the badge to be worn by the winner during his Senior year. Alpha Deuteron now has under consideration the making of an award to the pledge having the highest grade average at the time of initiation. The award will probably be a Phi Sigma Kappa badge.

The Beta Triton delegate announced

that the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Chicago scholarship trophy awarded to the chapter in Region IV having the highest scholarship rating has been at Beta Triton since March, 1942, as no winner was determined during the war years. It has been the custom in Region IV to pay the travelling expenses of that undergraduate having the highest average of that chapter winning the scholarship trophy to the chapter currently possessing the trophy. The expense money is taken from the Region IV Conclave Fund and the chapter possessing the trophy usually invites the representative of the winner to receive the trophy at a ceremony included as part of some other social program of the chapter possessing the trophy.

The importance of continuing the Region IV Conclave Fund was recognized

by the chapters in their unanimous action in assessing each chapter of Region IV \$5.00 a month for the months of January through May, and October through December of each calendar year, commencing January 1947, the funds to be remitted to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Grand Chapter and to be placed by him in the Region IV Conclave Fund, and disbursed in accordance with the terms of that Fund. The Region IV Conclave Fund was started in 1928 and every Conclave of Region IV held in the off-convention years since that date has been financed from this Fund. During the war payments to the Fund were suspended. Brother William Gross of Delta Deuteron presided at the discussion on national legislation. Brother Schoening was called upon to review the life membership legislation and other amendments to the By-laws. Bob Brown of Eta Triton presided over the final discussion of the day, that of public relationships. In the course of this discussion it was brought out that chapter papers should be sent to alumni, to the other chapters in Region IV, and to the national headquarters. It was urged that every chapter try to do some local charitable work such as holding a Christmas party for orphans, or under-privileged children, or providing Thanksgiving baskets for needy families.

The afternoon business session concluded at 6:20. It was followed by a banquet in the Sapphire Room of the Fort Hayes Hotel. Many local alumni attended as did seven alumni of Eta Triton Chapter, Akron, Ohio, who drove to Columbus for the occasion. "Beanie" Drake, Pi Deuteron, Chapter Adviser, was toastmaster and Dean Park of Ohio State University and President Brown were the principal speakers. Following Brother Brown's address, which is printed in this issue of *THE SIGNET*, the following resolutions presented by the resolutions committee consisting of Eugene P. Barta, Chairman, Alpha Deuteron; Harold

Adler, Chapter Adviser, Delta Deuteron; Claus A. Nacke, Delta Triton; and Bob Brown, Eta Triton, were adopted.

*Be it resolved that the Region IV Conclave recommends that the Council makes provisions for a school for Chapter Advisers at the next national convention.*

*Be it resolved that the Region IV Conclave recommends that each chapter relay promptly any information regarding expansion to the national secretary.*

*Be it resolved that the Region IV Conclave recommends to the Council that it sets up an award for the active best living up to the Cardinal Principals of Phi Sigma Kappa.*

*Be it resolved that the Region IV Conclave extends its gratitude to Pi Deuteron for its efforts in arranging the Conclave.*

*Be it resolved that the Region IV Conclave extends its thanks to the Hotel Fort Hayes for the splendid manner in which it handled the accommodations for the Conclave.*

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## TWENTY-FIVE DOLLAR CLUB

During the latter years of the war, a few of the alumni of Delta Triton Chapter semi-officially organized a Twenty-five Dollar Club to help the chapter continue operation during that trying time. Those brothers of Delta Triton who so contributed were: John Trost, V. D. Sexson, W. O. Mills, M. H. Overton, Bruce Hardy, Raymond Young, F. E. Robbins, and Roy Girard.

Delta Triton Chapter was the only chapter in Region IV which functioned throughout the war.

This academic year the chapter is again a prosperous group of 41 living in their nicely-appointed chapter house at 302 Waldron Street, West Lafayette, Indiana, and it is quite a satisfaction to the members of the alumni who helped so generously during the lean war years to see the chapter enjoying its normal prosperity.



# Chapter Hymeneal

## ISON—LYLE

Brother Harry C. Lyle, Pi Deuteron '48, and Miss June Ison were married November 27, 1946, at the home of the bride's parents at Hillsboro, Ohio.

June is attending Ohio State University and is majoring in natural resources conservation. She is a member of the class of '48.

Harry served as a second lieutenant with the 8th Air Force in the ETO. His major is accounting in the College of Commerce and Administration.

## MARTIN—FERNHOLZ

Dr. and Mrs. Claude Alexander Martin recently announced the marriage of their daughter, Gertrude Ellen, to Brother Frank Fernholz, Alpha Deuteron '37. The couple were united in marriage at Our Lady of Seven Dolors Church, Welsh, Louisiana, on October 12, 1946.

The marriage of three members of Rho Deuteron Chapter in the past five months was recently reported by the



## POWELL-BUTTERFIELD

Several Phi Sigs of Epsilon Triton Chapter were present at the wedding of the former Virginia Powell and Sid Butterfield last August 24. The above picture was taken at the reception given by the bride's aunt, Mrs. William S. Corby, at her home, Ishpiming, Chevy Chase, Maryland. Reading from left to right: Brothers Bob Jennings, Ted Branthover, George Tolley, Britt Schweitzer, Bill Aikin, John Harrison, Ted Stawicki, the bride and groom, Brothers John Beadle, Bob Malone, Gary Schweitzer, Brice Horton, and Frank Dorsey.

chapter. The brothers married were: Robert W. Hemperly, '45, to Penny Sonnekall, in the chapter house on September 1, 1946; Robert Logan, '47, to Marian Fish in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, December 19, 1946; and Richard G. Shook, '47, to Julia E. Adams at Germantown, Pennsylvania on November 16, 1946.

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### ROWENHORST—WESTERBERG

Miss Jeanne Rowenhorst daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rowenhorst of Orange City, Iowa and Milton L. Westerberg, Lambda Deuteron '45, were married in Orange City, on August 31, 1946.

Miss Rowenhorst recently graduated from MacMurray College for Women in Jacksonville, Illinois with a B. M. degree. Brother Westerberg attended the University of Washington in Seattle and after three years in the Navy he is continuing education at Washington University; School of Dentistry, St. Louis, Missouri.

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### BABYGRAMS

Brother Barrett Nelson Coates, Jr., Omega '43, became the proud papa of a 6½ pound baby girl born on August 3, 1946.

Brother Coates is attending the University of Manitoba for post graduate work in Actuarial Science and resides at 1007 Cragmont Avenue, Berkeley 8, California.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alvin C. Schweizer recently announced the birth of a son, Paul Douglas, on November 26, 1946. Master Schweizer greeted the world tipping the scales at 7 pounds, 11 ounces.

Brother Schweizer, who served as a Lt. (jg) in the Navy, is a member of Rho Deuteron Chapter, class of 1939.

### REACTIVATE PHILADELPHIA CLUB

By DONALD M. SOLENBERGER

Monthly meetings of the Philadelphia Alumni Club are being held now after a lapse of several years. All gatherings are at the University Club, 16th and Locust Streets. We vary the program alternating luncheon and dinner meetings.

There has been good attendance and a real spirit of interest has been evident. Men from a great many different chapters have been present. They come not only from Philadelphia, but from surrounding communities as well.

We enjoy the fellowship of these occasions. Also it is our hope to make a genuine contribution to the fraternity in any and all locations with which we may have contact. For example, if a neighbor's son who seems like a good candidate is going to a college where we have a chapter, we would write about him to the chapter. We shall also encourage continued financial assistance to the national fraternity.

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Programs have included Leighton P. Stradley, Mu '06 who spoke on the ten capitols of the United States and Dr. Martin D. Bruner who showed movies he had taken in Russia just before the past war.

The meetings are held the first Monday of each month. Phi Sigs visiting the city are welcome to attend. Walter Camenisch, Jr. Secretary, may be reached at the Liberty-Trust Building, Broad and Arch Streets, RI-6-8531.



# Chapter Invisible

## ELIE F. SIVADE

First Lt. Elie F. Sivade, Gamma '40, was killed in the crash of two Army training planes six miles west of Stewart Air Field near Newburgh, New York on Thanksgiving morning, 1943.

Brother Sivade was born December 20,



ELIE F. SIVADE

1918, and was christened in the Church of Our Lady Star-of-the-Sea. After attending the parish school, from which he was graduated, he entered Atlantic City High School. After attending this high school for two years he transferred to Malvern Preparatory School, from which he was graduated with honors in 1936. While there he starred on the ice hockey team and also played football. Elie then entered Cornell University, taking a hotel course. He started flying while a senior at Cornell and received his private pilot's license through the CPT at that time.

Upon being commissioned a lieutenant in the Army Air Corp at Kelly Field he was sent as an instructor to Goodfellow Field, San Angelo, Texas, where he remained for three months. He was one of five instructors at Goodfellow, out of over a hundred, to be chosen to instruct at the newly commissioned Stewart Field at West Point.

Officers attached to the Atlantic City AAF post served as pallbearers while a firing squad and bugle corps took part in the last rites at the Greenwood Cemetery, Pleasantville. As the flag-draped coffin was escorted to the grave, three two-motored army planes, which made a special trip from West Point, dipped their wings in a final tribute to the dead flier. Thirteen officers from the West Point post came to the resort in the three planes.

Surviving Brother Sivade are his mother, Mrs. Hannah Sivade, and one sister, Suzanne, a graduate of Georgian Court College at Lakewood.

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## THEODORE S. WILKINSON

Vice-Admiral Theodore S. Wilkinson, Lambda '12, drowned February 21, 1946 when his automobile plunged from a ferry into the Elizabeth river, but the veteran of South Pacific amphibious warfare saved his wife's life by shoving her from the car a second before it sank.

Mrs. Catherine Wilkinson, wife of the 57-year-old officer who distinguished himself as commander of the Third Amphibious Force, Third Fleet, said Wilkinson lost control of the car and when he realized they were going off the front end of the ferry he opened the door, yelled "jump" and shoved her out.

Mrs. Wilkinson was rescued by employees of the Norfolk-Portsmouth ferries and removed to a naval hospital for

treatment of shock and exposure. Brother Wilkinson's body was recovered about 75 minutes after the accident by a diver who removed it from under the steering wheel of the automobile.

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### NEWELL MORRIS WILDER

Brother Newell M. Wilder, Phi Deuteron '32, died Sunday, August 25, 1946 at Wichita Falls, Texas of a brain tumor after a major operation there.

Mr. Wilder was a Petroleum Exploration Geologist and engineer at Wichita Falls and was formerly with the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals. The Wilders moved to Wichita Falls June 1, 1946 after his release as a major from the army after four years' service.

A graduate of the University of Kentucky, where he received his bachelor-of-science and master-of-science degrees, Brother Wilder was active in sports and played varsity football. He is reported to have been the last Kentucky player to carry the ball in the last football game the Wildcats played with Centre College in 1929.

Prior to entering military service, he first was a member of the University Geology Department, then was named geologist and petroleum engineer with the State Department of Mines and Minerals with headquarters in Lexington. In October, 1936, he went with Petroleum Exploration with headquarters in Lexington, remaining with that concern until the start of the war and returning to it after his military release.

He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Wilder and is also survived by his wife, the former Gertrude Skinner, and two daughters, Betsy, 9, and Jane, 7.

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### JAMES W. MASON

Brother James W. Mason, Gamma Deuteron '10, died last June 4 according

to information from officers of the Philadelphia branch of the Alumni Association.

Mr. Mason was born at Hedrick, Iowa, February 4, 1888. He attended Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, where he became a charter member of Gamma Deuteron Chapter. Following his graduation, Brother Mason accepted employment with the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania.

He is survived by his wife, the former Ruth Ella Cattell, to whom he was married on June 23, 1910 at Ames, and a son, William Woodward Mason.

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### ANTHONY J. DOROSEWICZ

Private Anthony J. Dorosewicz, Zeta '46, died on February 6, 1945 of wounds received in action in Belgium.

Brother Dorosewicz was inducted into



ANTHONY J. DOROSEWICZ

the Army and assigned to duty at Fort Benning, Georgia, in November, 1943. He left for England with the 346th Infantry on October 14, 1944, embarked

for France on November 28, 1944, and while on duty with a patrol of Company B, 346th Infantry he was subjected to enemy artillery fire between Espeller and Thommeu, Belgium on January 27, 1945. Brother Dorosewicz was seriously wounded in the back and immediately evacuated to the nearest field hospital where he died ten days later.

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### WILLIAM F. MUNZINGER

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### GEORGE FREDERICK VOSBURG

Brother George Frederick Vosburg, Kappa '13, passed away Christmas morning, 1944 in Nashville, Tennessee from coronary thrombosis. He was 55 years old at the time of his death.

Mr. Vosburg and his family had been living in Nashville for 10 years, where Brother Vosburg held the position of Southern Manager for the Victor Chemical Company.

He left a wife, the former Jean Cale of Du Bais, Pennsylvania, and two grandchildren.

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### WARDER A. HALL

Dr. Warder A. Hall, Eta '18, died on December 12, 1946. Funeral services were held from Davis-Weaver Funeral Home, Clarksburg, West Virginia.

He is survived by his wife, Caroline Hall, of 3438 University Place, Clarksburg, West Virginia.

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### WALTER TOMLINSON BOVARD

Brother Walter Tomlinson Bovard, Gamma '26, one of the outstanding younger resort hotel operators of the country, died August 19, 1946 in Winston-Salem, N. C. Mr. Bovard has managed Graystone Inn, Roaring Gap, N. C., since 1937 during the summers. A year ago he purchased the Coquina, Ormond Beach, Florida, upon its release by the WACS. Previously, for fourteen winters, he managed the Riomar Club in Vero Beach, Florida, and for nine years managed Esecola Inn, Lineville, N. C. during the summer. He began his hotel career at the Waldorf-Astoria, and was associated with the York Beach Hotel, York Beach, Maine, and the Greenbrier of White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, the first few years after college.

He was a member of the first full class (1926) to be graduated from the Department of Hotel Administration, Cornell University; was one of the three instigators of "Hotel Ezra Cornell" and its first managing director. Of him, Professor Meek says "He started out with almost no capital and built himself up to a very successful and admired resort operator. His achievement was abundantly forecast by the fine leadership he demonstrated as a student. Bovard was one of our finest."

Brother Bovard was a firm believer in

hotel associations, was a member of the old Southern Association, the North Carolina Association, and of the Resort Committee of the American Hotel Association. He believed in keeping the best hotel he could from the viewpoint of guest and employee, rather than having "profit" the main goal. He always had something worth while to say when on association programs.

He is survived by his wife, who was associated with him in the management of their hotels, and his two daughters.

### ALPHA TRITON MEMORIAL PLAQUE DEDICATION

On Sunday, October 27, 1946, the Alpha Triton Chapter assembled together in a ceremony to honor its four brothers who made the supreme sacrifice in World War II. The occasion was the dedication of a World War II Memorial Plaque upon which is inscribed the names of the fallen brothers:

Charles Harold Essig, '41  
William Arthur Preston, '42  
Donald Ellsworth Parker Jr., '42  
Donald Goldsmith Haight, '44

Dr. Darr, pastor of the Church of Wesleyan, offered a short prayer, after which, Brother Harry Detjen led the assembled brothers in a renewal of faith in the Phi Sigma Kappa Creed. Following this, Brother Dick Preston removed the American flag which veiled the plaque, and the parents of the honored brethren were escorted forward to view it in its position on the wall of the dining room.

Although brief, the dedication ceremony served as a fitting tribute to these brothers who are now members of the Chapter Invisible and whose presence will always be felt, remembered, and honored by all men.

The Council is postponing the publication of a Gold Star memorial booklet until more complete and accurate information is available to the national headquarters.

### PRESENTED ADVERTISING AWARD

H. S. Van Scoyoc, Mu '07, who recently retired as advertising manager of the Canada Cement Company of Montreal, was presented a silver medal for his work in enhancing the reputation and position of advertising in the eyes of its members and the public by the Association of Canadian Advertisers at its 32nd annual meeting in Toronto last November.

### NOT BY RIPLEY BUT YOU CAN BELIEVE IT OR NOT

D. O. Leighton, Beta Triton '26, wrote THE SIGNET that seventeen years ago his wife lost his fraternity badge in the La Salle Street Station when he and his wife were seeing friends off. A Red Cap found the badge and turned it into the Lost and Found Department, which department turned it over to Mrs. Leighton upon her inquiry that same day. Believing that she would exercise extra caution, she placed the badge in her purse instead of wearing it. On that same evening, while in the elevator of their apartment building, she had occasion to open her purse and the elusive badge again escaped, this time to plunge to the bottom of the elevator pit. Although D. O. and the janitor searched the pit, the badge could not be found.

On January 12, 1947, seventeen years to the day, D. O. received a telephone call from a University of Chicago student who found the badge on the campus. Needless to state, he went after the badge immediately and has now ordered an extra heavy chain with a combination lock. Everything will be all right unless someone forgets the combination.

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held at which officers for the club were elected, committees were organized and a program laid out for the ensuing year. Considerable discussion concerned the new chapter house which it is hoped can be purchased very soon. It was determined that an intensive membership drive for the club would be started immediately, and one of the first activities of the club would be to raise money for a chapter house. It is planned to set aside a room in the new house for the exclusive use of the Lambda Club, for meetings and for the casual use of the members.

The names of the officers elected are:

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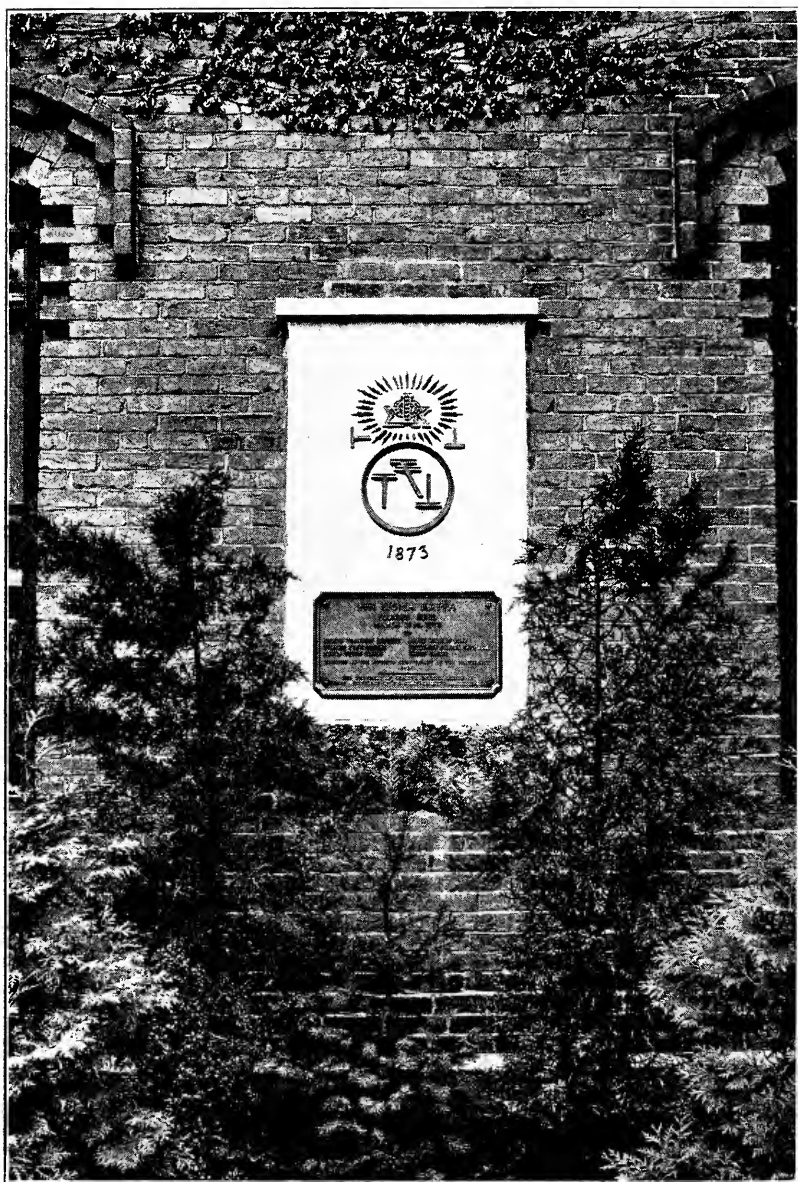
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# Founders' Day

Phi Sigma Kappa will celebrate the seventy-fourth anniversary of its founding on March 15, 1947. Since our founding by Joseph Franklin Barrett, Frederick George Campbell, William Penn Brooks, Jabez William Clay, Xenos Young Clark and Henry Hague our fraternity has survived repeated cycles of varying moods; times of prosperity and times of low ebb, including panic and other national crises and two world conflicts. More than that, through it, and in spite of it all, it has progressed and grown stronger. That such should be the case is indeed no mere coincident. Our founders and their successors were men of dignity, high purpose, of perseverance, and of unfaulting integrity. Their ideals, so adequately expressed in our Cardinal Principles, have been the governing motif of our order through the years.

All of us, brothers and plédes alike, are already looking forward to our Diamond Jubilee, to be celebrated next year. The officers of the Grand Chapter are already making plans for this greatest of celebrations in the annals of Phi Sigma Kappa. All eyes are already focused on the beautiful hills and valleys of New England, the place of our founding.

The present, however, will not be neglected in the pleasure and anticipation of what is to come next year, for at 2:00 p. m. on March 15, Alpha will hold its traditional Founders' Day celebration before the Shrine, the birthplace of Phi Sigma Kappa, with Brother Frank P. Rand, Chi '12, Professor of English, at Massachusetts State College and former Editor of THE SIGNET, the speaker for the occasion.

Other Founders' Day celebrations to be held on the day or evening of our founding include that of Rho Deuteron with Grand President Herbert L. Brown

the speaker; Epsilon Triton at the chapter house; Delta Deuteron and the Detroit Club at the Wardell-Sheraton Hotel, Regional Director Collins speaking; Lambda Deuteron and the Seattle Club at the chapter house, Regional Director Bruce C. Bean speaking; Chi Deuteron at the Washington State College Home Economics dining hall; Beta Triton, Delta Triton and Alpha Deuteron Chapters in a joint banquet at the Alpha Deuteron chapter house, Secretary-Treasurer Earl F. Schoening the speaker.

Some celebrations will be held before Founders' Day. They include that of Zeta Triton at the Baxter Hotel, Bozeman, Montana on March 9; Iota at Meyer's Hotel, Hoboken, New Jersey, Regional Director Frederick Griswold, Jr., the speaker; Gamma Triton at the Wade Hampton Hotel, Columbia, South Carolina; and Phi Deuteron at the Lafayette Hotel, Lexington, Kentucky, all on March 14. On the same evening the Chicago Club will celebrate at the Swedish Club, with Secretary-Treasurer Earl F. Schoening and Joe Buscemi and Tom Stewart, Alpha Deuteron, of Rose Bowl experience, on the speaking program.

On March 16 Lambda will celebrate at the Kennedy-Warren in Washington-D. C.

All other chapters and clubs will hold celebrations on or near Founders' Day. THE SIGNET regrets that this year our printing schedules are such as to preclude this information coming to the attention of the alumni brothers through the SIGNET. However, in all cases the chapters and clubs have announced their celebrations by direct mail and many outstanding celebrations are anticipated. THE SIGNET hopes it can publish the accounts of some of them in its May issue.





PHI DEUTERON CHAPTER HOUSE

## Twenty Years at Kentucky



N May 1, 1925 the local fraternity of Chi Sigma Alpha, at the University of Kentucky, petitioned the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa for a charter.

The effort initiated that day by twenty actives of that local organization resulted in the installation of Phi Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa at the University of Kentucky in November, 1926.

During the twenty years following the installation Phi Deuteron was active except approximately three years during World War II. There was no choice in the matter of becoming inactive because of the shortage of man power at the university and because every man in the chapter went into the armed services.

In this twenty years (seventeen active years) Phi Deuteron initiated 190 men and early in their 21st year this number was increased beyond the 200 mark.

Briefly, as we look back over these years, we find the chapter living in rented property; first at 211 East Maxwell, next 435 East Maxwell, then back to 211 East Maxwell and then at 657 South Limestone until June, 1938. In June 1938 the chapter moved into its own home at 355 South Broadway. This beautiful old Southern home was purchased by the Phi Deuteron Alumni Corporation for the chapter and served as a home until the chapter went inactive in April, 1943.

For the next three years an interim committee served as and for the active chapter, looking after their interest and property and helping start the ball rolling again when the first Phi Sig returned to the campus in the winter quarter of 1946. Brother Raymond H. Lickert served as president, Brother Evans C. McGraw as vice-president and Brother Arnest A. Bureau as secretary-treasurer of this interim committee. In addition to the committee officers the following brothers

rendered valuable service in dealing with the problems while the chapter was inactive: James L. Atchison, H. Corley Brown, and George P. Summers.

After the chapter house had been vacant for two years and due to the con-



A. L. ATCHISON  
Chapter Adviser

Former Director of Region III who resigned from the Council when he entered service as a captain in July, 1941. He served overseas from August, 1942 until the autumn of 1945. Appointed chapter adviser February 11, 1947.

tinued uncertainty of the date when the chapter could be reactivated, the alumni sold the house in March, 1945.

As history now records it, exactly one year after the house was sold the chapter was reactivated. The small group of actives returning from the war busied themselves with reorganization and looking for a new chapter home. The old home could have never been repurchased for two and one half times the sale value of

one year prior to that time, but it is believed that the chapter and alumni wisely decided to rent until such time as real property values were reduced.

The chapter formally reactivated April 1, 1946 and even though no house was to be found until June 16, 1946, they moved forward and initiated some fifteen men during the first three months. Other actives returned to school and by the time they were situated in the newly rented property at 281 South Limestone the active chapter roll had reached 24.

Finding a home was a big problem but not the only one. The only furniture owned by the chapter was a piano and two living room chairs which had not been sold but held by certain alumni. The immediate problem was solved by borrowing 26 beds and mattresses from the university. These were set up in the large dining room and the brothers and pledges moved in, a la army barracks style, while the necessary renovation proceeded.

In working on this problem our hearts were cheered as we found that over the years a strong connecting link was holding the Phi Sigs of the twenties, thirties, and forties and that many brothers were ready to lend a helping hand in reactivating the chapter. A committee was appointed to obtain funds and purchase furniture and equipment. Money was more easily obtained than the furnishings. The alumni donated approximately \$2,000.00 and the active chapter members made available approximately \$1,500.00, which amounts have gone a long way toward furnishing the home. Approximately \$1,000.00 in additional items is being paid by the active chapter out of current operating profits.

As this is written, early in their 21st year, the chapter is making progress on all fronts with a roll of 70 actives and pledges and many men taking part in various campus activities and sports. There is a spirit and seriousness about the fellows in the chapter now which is

most gratifying. This number could be easily extended to 100 except for the problem of proper assimilation.

Aside from the material factors, Phi Deuteron has enjoyed a good reputation on the campus at Kentucky, having been above the average in scholarship among the fraternities most of the past twenty years. Among the trophies now on display at the house we find the following:

1927—1st in Mile Relay; 1928—1st in Horse Shoe Pitching and 1st in Wrestling; 1929—1st in Soft Ball; 1931—1st in Horse Shoe Pitching and 1st in Hand Ball; 1932—1st in Volley Ball; 1933—1st in Scholarship; 1934—1st in Horse Shoe Pitching; 1935—2nd in Hand Ball; 1936—2nd in Boxing; 1938—1st in Soft Ball; 1946—1st in Soft Ball.

One of the outstanding events of the past twenty years was in November, 1935, when Phi Deuteron played host to the Region III Conclave of Phi Sigma Kappa. The chapter was greatly benefited by this meeting and enjoyed the opportunity of sharing with others the many points of interest and beauty in Central Kentucky and at the University of Kentucky.

During this twenty years there have been many low as well as high points and while much credit is due members of the active chapter from year to year, the picture would not be complete if proper recognition was not recorded of the fine support given by many alumni and of the unselfish service of the following brothers who have served as chapter advisers for the years indicated:

R. Clay Porter, '25	1926-1932
A. Lemial Atchison, '24	1933-1938
John D. Williams, '26	1939-1941
M. Bedford, Faculty	1942-1944

Progress can not be had by continuing to look back, but rather by building on the good points of that past and looking forward with hope and belief in the future. To that end Phi Deuteron enjoys moving forward in this, her 21st year at Kentucky.

## *Phi Deuteron Today*



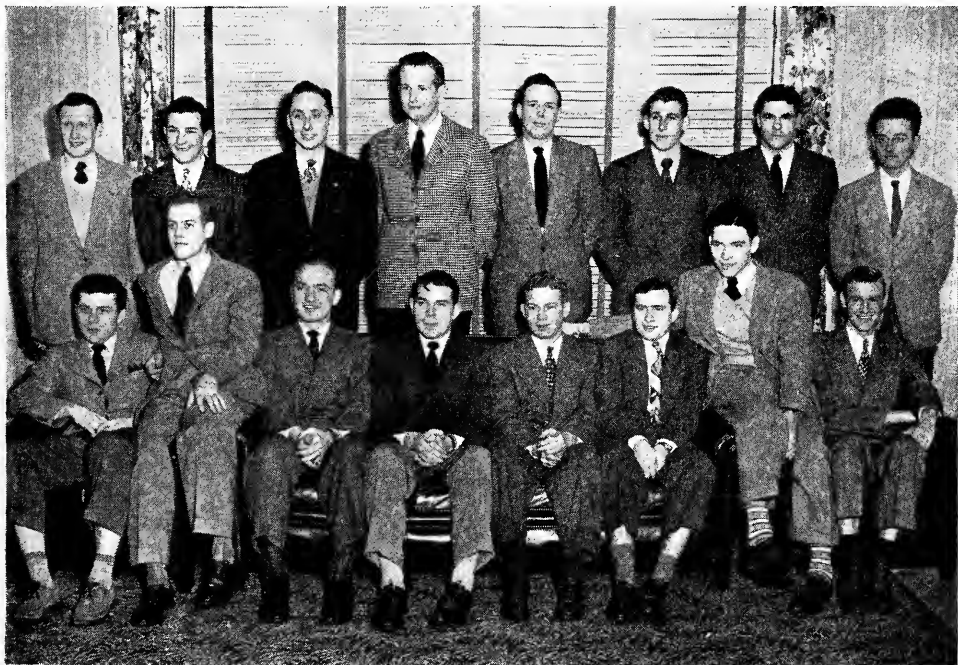
INTER quarter at the University of Kentucky finds Phi Deuteron buckling down to studies, but nevertheless getting their share of social events. The first such event of the season was a dance at Springhurst Club in honor of men initiated in January. Joining the select were John Bridges, Harry Boaz, Eugene Cecil, Bob Summers, Ronald Walker, Darrell Hancock, Frank Reynolds, Paul Troop, Charles Devitt, Frank Mathias, Bob Rupard, and Tommy Montgomery. Since then Charlie Minor took the obligation and feels very special because of his separate initiation ceremony.

The Military Honorary, Pershing Rifles, again has a goodly representation of Phi

Sigs. Brothers Taylor, Byron and Barker are now actives and officers of the unit. Captain Cheek (brother to all of us) has done a fine job, and with three more of the boys to assist, how can the company avoid their usual success at the drill meet this spring. Sounds like a question but we all know better.

Several good men have pledged Phi Sig here at U. K. Jim Murphy, John Soper, Holland Wintsch, Leonard Sallee, and Jim Northcutt joined our ranks during the rushing at the first of the quarter. Since then John Size, Jack Adams, Bob Welsh, and Doug Ross have pledged. Jack Adams is a returning pledge from before the war.

The pledges elected John Hays to serve as their president. Bill Newman is vice-



### PHI DEUTERON PLEDGES

Seated, left to right: John Hays, Doug Ross, J. C. Kennard, Jim Murphy, Chuck Wade, "Cappy" Miranda, Billy Whitehouse, Burl Phillips.  
Standing, left to right: Jim Northcutt, Bob Welsh, John Size, Holland Wintsch, J. E. Soper, Bill Dale, Jay Rhodemyre, Boyd Jesse.

president and Chuck Wade is secretary-treasurer.

The Veterans' Club also held an election recently. Through campaigning and unanimous chapter support we elected Phi Sigs as the five fraternity representatives on its newly organized representative assembly. Bob Gerner, Joe Evans, Bert Cheek, Tommy Montgomery, and Tom Prather were those elected, and all are working hard to get things running smoothly. Brother Hancock is acting as assembly chairman and keeping business under control. He is accumulating all sorts of new jobs to go with being Vet Club vice-president and managing editor of the Post Warrior.

The bowling team is going strong thus far. In two practice meets we beat the Phi Deltis by 250 pins in a 3 game series and the Sigma Chis by 650 pins—also 3 game series. Ably captained by Al Jepson, the team consists of Clell DeSpain, Bill Ellison, Bill Newman, and Earl Cornette. Jack Dupree and John Hayes are alternates. Team average is around 870, which will carry us along pretty well.

Sunday afternoon, February 9, we honored our housemother, Mrs. M. C. Morgan, with a formal tea. It was very well attended by faculty members and heads of campus organizations as well as several of the boys' parents who visited Lexington for the occasion. We are very appreciative of the help the Mothers' Club gave us at this affair. Clell DeSpain, our social chairman, also deserves congratulations for the fine job he did of organizing the innumerable details.

The Mothers' Club also deserves our appreciation for the hard work spent on draperies for the house. That and the new rugs make this the best looking house on the campus. We hope we will be able to improve the outside as well as we did the inside.

Founders' Day plans to be a gala occasion with the event taking place in the Gold Room of the La Fayette Hotel.

We're really going first class this time. Plans are being made for selecting our Moonlight Girl and hope that our selection and the celebration will be spoken of as favorably as our tea earlier in the quarter.

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### LOUIS SELZER, TELLS ART INSTITUTE PLANS

A season of great expansion in service to the community is what the trustees of the Milwaukee Art Institute look forward to, according to Louis J. Selzer, Alpha Deuteron '18, who was elected president of the institute at the annual meeting. Brother Selzer has served four years on the board of trustees. "We now have a membership of approximately 1,800," says Brother Selzer. "It is the largest in the institute's history. Encouraged by this community interest we have expanded our staff in order to better interpret our exhibitions to the public by scheduled gallery tours and to better service our Saturday morning children's classes, which now have an enrolment of 300.

"A monthly bulletin, entitled Gallery Notes, gives the members a schedule of all events in the galleries and in the auditorium.

"We are bringing to Milwaukee the best of the available circulating art exhibitions as selected by our director and the exhibition committee. Outstanding musical and lecture programs are scheduled throughout the year.

"We are cooperating with the 1948 centennial celebration and propose to bring to Milwaukee during that year an exhibition of world famous masterpieces. The trustees of the Milwaukee Art Institute wish to remind the public that our galleries are open, free of charge, at all times."

Brother Selzer's interest in art comes by way of architecture. At the University of Illinois he studied both architecture and engineering.

# Bentley's Galley

JULIAN BENTLEY, Beta Triton '30. Formerly with United Press and since 1933 News Editor of *Prairie Farmer* and WLS.



## “The Americans of Madingley Hill”

LONDON—We have just returned to London from one of the most beautiful spots in England—one of the most beautiful spots on earth for that matter. We have been at Madingley Hill in the county of Cambridge in what is called East Anglia. Madingley Hill lies about ten miles from the ancient university town of Cambridge. As you stand on the crest of the hill at the edge of a wood of oaks, maples, elms and beeches, you can look across the fens and in the grey smoky distance see the spire of Ely Cathedral.

This afternoon there is a warm sun on Madingley Hill and the bees are busy in the rose bushes which line the twenty acres of greensward which slopes gently downward from the edge of the wood. Here, to paraphrase an English poet who lived not far from here and who died in that *other* World War, is one corner of a foreign land that will forever be America. For here are the Americans of Madingley Hill. There are five thousand five hundred and eighty-six of them. You walk among the crosses row on row, the crosses and the stars of David; for these Americans were of differing faiths yet

they all died in the same faith—the belief in freedom and a way of life for which they dared to die.

Across this sloping field the clean white markers extend east and west, north and south and neatly on the diagonal. There are nearly six thousand American boys here—and probably not one of them had reached the age of thirty. Let's stop along the central aisle and walk between the graves to right or left. Here side by side lie ten of them. Each marker bears the same bomb squad number. And each marker bears the same date. In answer to your question, Anthony Lumppp, who comes from Wilmette, Illinois, and now serves with the American Graves Registration Service, explains. This is the crew of an Eighth Air Force Flying Fortress. Perhaps they crashed as they took off for a bombing raid on Europe. Perhaps they came back from a raid with a bomb stuck in the bomb bay and then crashed. Now they lie together as they went into battle together. For this part of East Anglia was Eighth Air Force Territory. Most of the boys on Madingley Hill belonged to the Eighth.

A little farther on there is a single grave which is marked by a cross superimposed on a Jewish Star of David. Anthony Lumppp explains. This crew crashed on coming back and were buried in a

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(Editor's Note: Here is another story written by Julian Bentley and his wife, Toni, after their visit to Madingley Hill, the American Military Cemetery at Cambridge, England.)

single grave. All their names are listed on the marker. The loading officer at their home field knew who was aboard and he knew that one was of the Jewish faith. Hence the double marker.

There is no hint on these white markers as to these boys' home towns. And their names give a cross section of the peoples who have combined to make America great. Here you see names which indicate descent from Norwegian, Irish, German, French, Polish, English, Scottish, Armenian, Russian forbears. Yet they all gave their lives as free Americans in the hope and belief that all the world could also be free.

The Stars and Stripes are flying from the flag pole at half staff. That means that another American is joining his comrades on Madingley Hill. Burials of this kind are transfers. This soldier has been removed, perhaps from the cemetery of some remote village in the Midlands of England. Here at Madingley he will rest forever or his family will arrange to have him brought home under the terms of the act of Congress passed at the last session.

The sun sinks behind the wood which borders the Cambridge American Military Cemetery — as Madingley is officially called — and we walk among the white markers to the beautiful little chapel. Toni and I and Anthony Lumpp are the only Americans there. Half a dozen English men and women are there. They have come because some of their adopted sons are lying on Madingley Hill. They are some of the 1500 English people who have signed the visitors' book at Madingley in the five weeks between July 14 and August 20. Many others came who did not register.

On the wall of the chapel is a bronze plaque with this inscription: "To these gallant American airmen who on August 12, 1944, sacrificed their lives to prevent their aircraft from crashing on our homes the residents of Cheshunt and Waltham

Cross in the county of Hertfordshire dedicate this plaque in grateful memory: 2nd Lt. John Ellis; Staff Sgt. Jay V. Cable; S/Sgt. Clare Hultengren; Flight Officer Sam'l C. Stalsey; S/Sgt. Frank Minick; 2nd Lt. Robert B. Cox; Tech. Sgt. Stanley F. Jankowski; Tech. Sgt. John H. Holling; S/Sgt. William C. McGinley; S/Sgt. Jack O. Shaeffer. 577 Bombardment Squadron, 392nd Bombardment Group."

Here on Madingley Hill, as you stand with nearly six thousand American boys who gave their lives, you have some small concept of what is meant by the phrase "the price of war." You wish earnestly that the statesmen arguing about peace could all spend a day in a place like Madingley.

But if any of you has a son or daughter who lies in Madingley let me tell you that — if any cemetery can be beautiful — this is it. The forest which lies around, the roses and evergreens that border the gently sloping green lawn and the perpetual care that it receives bring a sense of infinite peace. And though they may rest far from home, you may be sure they are not far from friends they made in England . . . friends who will never forget that these young Americans gave their lives for England just as surely as they did for us, because this area known as East Anglia was American Air Force Territory.

Often the air force men outnumbered the local population. And today an Englishman from this area will tell you proudly that he could recognize every type of airplane the Americans flew. Maybe he didn't know the RAF so well, but he knew our planes because the skies over East Anglia were full of them every day.

When you spend a day in the old university town of Cambridge you learn how well our boys were loved and how deeply they are missed today. On Trinity Street is a 15th century building now housing a tea room on the ground floor. On the next two floors above this is the



headquarters of the Cambridge English Speaking Union. Many hundreds of Americans—we saw their names in the registry—will recall this building. Most of all they will recall Mrs. Feo De Morpurgo, head of the English Speaking Union. She served there throughout the war, a foster mother to hundreds of Americans. Mrs. D. M., they called her. She'll not soon forget the Wednesday and Saturday night dances when, behind the blackout curtains, American jitterbugging threatened to bring the ancient building down in ruins.

"I can't begin to tell you," said Mrs. De Morpurgo, "how these boys of yours simply took over Cambridge, how they liked to help in getting things ready for parties, how they insisted on washing dishes and putting things to right in the little sandwich bar on the third floor. They'd show us the pictures of their wives and children, their mothers or their best girls. And of course," she added, "we all chewed gum like mad while they were here. Most of them said they'd be back, and we all hope they will some day."

Mrs. De Morpurgo told us also about the special short courses of lectures which Cambridge university arranged for the Americans. There are many colleges at Cambridge—King's college, Queens', Trinity Hall, Pembroke, Caius . . . but what American who attended will ever forget the old inn that became the American college? The inn was known as The Bull so, of course, it became known as Bull College.

We spent the night at the Red Lion Inn at the tiny village of Whittlesford about ten miles from Cambridge. This is a thirteenth century building, originally a monastery. Many an American soldier will recall the blackened beams supporting the low ceilings—beams that were intricately carved five hundred years ago by monks who were assigned that task as a penance for some infraction of the

monastery rules. But better still these Americans will remember Mrs. Agnes Vivian and Mrs. George Webb—the two ladies who ran the inn during the war and who were known to hundreds of Eighth Air Force men as "Auntie"—Auntie with a broad English "A".

Mrs. Vivian told us about it: "We used to hear them go roaring out toward Germany in the mornings. Perhaps for a half hour or 45 minutes we would hear the roar of their motors. Then we'd wait and wonder. We'd wonder how many planes had gone and how many would be coming back. Because," said Mrs. Vivian, "we felt they were our boys, too. . . . Then late in the afternoon they'd come back. And some of them, you'd swear, skimmed about a foot over the roof of this old building. That was just to let us know they were home again. Then in an hour or so they'd come down the road on their bikes. They would simply swarm into the old Red Lion for a pint of bitters. And they'd always complain about how poor our English beer was, and they were full of jokes and wise cracks and songs and American slang and boasting about their home towns. They never said a word about what they had been through during that day and of course we never asked them. But we knew . . . we knew. The village church bell used to ring pretty often in those days. We attended a lot of funerals of those boys . . . our boys."

"But," said Mrs. Vivian, "the church bell rang every Saturday . . . almost without fail, for another one of our girls was marrying another boy from the Eighth Air Force. The colonel always sent his car to take the bride and groom to church. And Mrs. Webb and I used to protest to the colonel. We said if the boys married all the girls in town, how could they expect Mrs. Webb and me to run the Red Lion Inn with no help?

"Somehow," said Mrs. Vivian, "it's hard to realize the boys have been gone

only a few months. We're glad for them they're home, but we *miss* them here in Cambridgeshire. We'll *never* forget them."

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In the chapel at Madingley Hill we found a mimeographed copy of the following poem entitled "Letter to Saint Peter"; by Elma Dean . . . The American Mercury Magazine . . .

*Let them in, Peter, they are very tired,  
Give them the couches where the  
angels sleep.  
Let them wake whole again to new  
dawns fired.  
With sun, not war, and may their  
peace be deep;  
Remember where the broken bodies  
lie  
And give them things they like. Let  
them make noise,  
God knows how young they were to  
have to die!  
Give swing bands, not gold harps, to  
these our boys.  
Let them love, Peter—they have had  
no time—  
Girls sweet as meadow wind with  
flowering hair  
They should have trees and bird songs,  
hills to climb  
The taste of summer in a ripened pear,  
tell them  
How they are missed. Say not to fear;  
it's going  
To be all right with us down here.*

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### WILLMORE GIVES PARK TO ST. LOUIS

Cyrus Crane Willmore, Alpha Deuteron '11, gave 70 acres to the city of St. Louis, Missouri for a park. The property, which is valued at more than \$100,000.00, is located in southwest St. Louis along River des Peres.

The St. Louis park commissioner ex-

plained that the land would be added to 35 more acres, most of them already purchased, to compose "the outstanding recreational area in St. Louis, when developed." He said that \$750,000 would be spent on the project. Buildings for the park will not be put up until after the housing shortage eases the construction situation.

The area will be known as the Cyrus Crane Willmore park. It is one and a half miles long and is the sixth largest park owned by St. Louis. The famous Forest park is the best known. Others are O'Fallon, Carondelet, Fairgrounds, River des Peres parkway, a part of which is across the channel from the new park. One of Mr. Willmore's subdivisions, St. Louis Hills, adjoins it to the east.

Grading for the new playground will begin in the spring. The plan calls for three swimming pools, baseball fields, eight softball diamonds, a soccer field, a roller skating court, field house, tennis courts, a running track and parking areas. There will also be a large tract devoted to picnic areas.

Harland Bartholomew, engineer of the City Planning commission there, formerly a University of Illinois staffman, says that "this park will become an asset of great value to St. Louis. . . ." The gift was presented at the celebration of the 44th birthday anniversary of Mayor Aloys P. Kaufman.

Brother Willmore, who still is "Red" to many of his classmates, takes a keen interest in Illini affairs in St. Louis and elsewhere. He is a member of the University of Illinois Foundation, is on the board of the St. Louis Plan commission, is past president of the St. Louis Real Estate board, former chairman of the Land Developers' division of the National Association of Real Estate Boards and was president of the general organization in 1943. He is past president of the St. Louis Optimist club and was president of the Optimist International in 1921.

# Secretary's Western Conclave Diary

*CHICAGO, Illinois, Saturday night, February 1*—Ground covered with about six inches of snow and 5 above zero. Really though, 5 above zero isn't very cold, it just feels that way because up to now we haven't had much winter—not more than a total of 12 inches of snow and all of that since January 1.

The Milwaukee Road seems to be having little trouble getting the Olympian started. It was supposed to leave at 11:00. It is now 11:35. I thought it was frozen switches and the like that railroads usually blame for delays but I learned the next day that they were having trouble getting an engine. Apparently the railroads still have plenty to do to their equipment to put it back into condition following the hard use it got during the war.

*Sunday* . . . Paid the penalty for sleeping late by going without breakfast because the diner was closed; but then who wouldn't sleep; it was pretty strenuous getting ready for this trip; however, who am I to complain for having had to work four out of five nights each of the last two weeks? My secretaries did too, and they didn't get to take the trip.

We are already two hours late. We lost that getting around Milwaukee's 6 foot high snow and here we are in the station yard at Minneapolis, where we've been for more than an hour. Well, we are finally moving again, now four hours late. Had I known we were going to be delayed in Minneapolis so long I would have arranged to stop off and make a short visit to the chapter. Brother Collins said he would do that on May 9 so I planned to go through, making my first stop at Missoula, Montana to visit Mu Deuteron.

*Monday, February 3* . . . Although there was no snow to be seen anywhere in the Dakotas or across Montana, we

arrived at Missoula at 9:10 p. m., 5½ hours late. Certainly ruined the boys' dinner plans. Tom Spaulding, chapter adviser and commissioner for the State of Montana, and his lovely wife met us at the train.

To note that Mrs. Schoening got one of the most pleasant surprises when the bell boy opened our hotel room door is to put it mildly. Mrs. Schoening decided she had been a fraternity widow too many times and long enough last autumn when I was in the East on fraternity business. On the dresser and reflected in the mirror and in full view as the door to the room was opened was a most gorgeous bouquet of daffodils, sent her with the greetings of Mu Deuteron Chapter.

Tom and I left for the chapter house, where the active chapter and a group of alumni were waiting. We had an interesting visit and until after midnight discussed various phases of fraternity management and other subjects of general fraternity interest.

*February 4* . . . A beautiful, bright, clear day. I visited the chapter house again this morning and between 11:00 and 12:00 Tom and I visited Dean Miller, Dean of Men, and President McCain of Montana State University. Brother Spaulding and I had to walk hurriedly in order to get to the chapter house in time for luncheon. Mrs. Schoening was entertained at a luncheon given in her honor by Phi Sig wives. In the afternoon I had to sign some certificates of membership at the hotel and send them to the L. G. Balfour Company for engraving. At four o'clock Mrs. Thieme took us for a beautiful two-hour drive along part of the mountain ranges which frame the lovely valley in which Missoula is located. I guess I had forgotten some of my early physiography for I expected Missoula to be very cold and almost snowbound. I am told that

less than 100 miles to the east, or at least on the east side of the continental divide, the weather is much more severe.

Because the Milwaukee obligingly ran today's Olympian six hours late, Mu Deuteron was able to entertain Mrs. Schoening, Mrs. Spaulding, Tom and me as their dinner guests. Just before taking the train Tom and I called on Dean Jones, Mu Deuteron '30, night editor of the Daily Missoulan. When I paid my hotel bill the hotel clerk gave me three shiny silver dollars in change and told me to use them for bus fare when I returned to Chicago. The hotel clerk had come to Missoula only three years before from Chicago, where he had lived for more than 25 years. He said he wouldn't think of going back to Chicago! Here I am still thousands of miles away from Los Angeles and they are starting to work on me already! The dollars were stamped 1922. Being so shiny, I wondered if Hotel Florence was polishing all the silver coin before disbursement as does the Hotel Davenport in Spokane, Washington. Maybe these dollars, which have been known as "Davenport Dollars," might have made their way back to Missoula from the Davenport. I know it will be interesting to our brothers to know that the Davenport Hotel was formerly owned by Brother Louis M. Davenport of Chi Deuteron Chapter.

*February 5...* Aboard the Olympian, now 5 hours late, another beautiful day of sunshine. This is one of the times that being late has its advantages for if the train were on time I would have missed the ride through the snow-capped Cascade Range. I never had a more beautiful ride anywhere than I have had through the Cascades this morning. The green pines, amid the three to four foot snow blanket, the contour of the mountains, the winding highways, where one can see an occasional rotary, through railroad tunnels, snow sheds, over-moun-

tain streams, as well as deep, narrow canyons was a morning of scenic beauty beyond my fondest expectations. It was a holiday for my motion picture camera.

We arrived in Seattle at 1:00 p. m. (5 hours late) and were met by Brother Bruce Bean, Regional Director for Region VI, and his charming wife. Bruce and I stopped at the chapter house to have luncheon with the active chapter and a group of alumni. I spoke to the group briefly after luncheon and took movies of the chapter house and the chapter group, as I had done at Missoula, in each case taking sufficient footage so that there would be enough to add to each of the three identical films which the National Headquarters circulates among the chapters. In the early afternoon Brother Bean and I conferred with John Newhouse, Director of Student Affairs, and Glenn Nygreen, Counselor for Men for the University of Washington. Following these conferences the Beans drove the Schoenings to Tacoma, where we were the over-night guests of the Harold Manns'. It seems like Harold has devoted a good deal of his time arranging accommodations for the Schoenings. I first met Harold in the Tacoma office of the Rainier National Park Company in 1925, when Mrs. Schoening and I were on a vacation trip in the West and were arranging transportation to Mt. Rainier. He was then in charge of the office and happened to notice my Phi Sigma Kappa badge. He introduced himself, and needless to say that through his generosity we were provided everything but the mountain itself, and this is as it has always been ever since every time that we have had the good fortune to be able to stop in Tacoma. On this occasion, Harold introduced Brother Bean and me to R. Franklin Thompson, President of the College of Puget Sound, with whom we visited briefly.

In the early evening we met many of the Tacoma Phi Sig alumni at a cocktail

party which Harold had arranged at his home. Following this party Harold entertained with dinner at the Top of the Ocean. The Beans left for Seattle well after midnight and if they were not tired they certainly should have been for they had a very full day.

On *Thursday, February 6*, Brother Bruce Bean stopped for us at the Manns', from where we drove to Portland. It was an interesting drive, made more so because of the opportunity to stop at Olympia, the capitol of the State of Washington. The logging trucks loaded with huge logs, in some case one log to a truck, were of special interest to me and Bruce was most helpful in pointing out points of interest along our route. In spite of the fact that we had a puncture at Vancouver, Washington, we arrived in Portland in plenty of time for the alumni dinner scheduled there for that evening. The Portland dinner was an excellent one in every respect. It was alive with interest and enthusiasm. Tom Spaulding, who flew in from Missoula, joined us at this dinner.

*Friday, February 7* . . . A day of Oregon sunshine just as beautiful and warm as that along the Washington coast. We drove through more beautiful country, Bruce pointing out the filbert and walnut groves along the way. We stopped briefly at Linfield College, McMinnville, Oregon enroute to Willamette University at Salem, Oregon for a brief visit at the Oregon State Capitol and to call upon G. Herbert Smith, an Illinois classmate of ye ed., President of Willamette University and President of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. It was good to see Herb and to learn something of the wonderful program he has formulated for fraternities and independent men at Willamette. His program includes a residence quadrangle in the form of an H-shaped building, in each wing of which is to be located a fraternity unit, with the central unit given over to quarters for independent students. In a joint ceremony held on January 3

and 4, 1947, chapters of Sigma Chi, Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Theta (Miami Triad) were inducted. The well-ordered campus of Willamette University is situated opposite the beautiful state capitol grounds.

We arrived in Corvallis that afternoon at 4:30. After getting settled at the home of Mrs. Schoening's cousin, J. C. Garmann, Professor of Physics and Photography of Oregon State College, Bruce and I drove to Hotel Benton, which was his headquarters, and then to Theta Deuteron chapter house for dinner. Delegates and chapter advisers from all of the chapters of the region being on hand, Regional Director Bean called the Conclave of Region VI to order immediately after dinner. The first session of the Conclave was intensely interesting and informative. Discussion continued to the later hours and was followed by a tasty buffet served by Theta Deuteron.

*Saturday, February 8* and another beautiful day of sunshine. This talk about rain on the West Coast at this time of the year must be a lot of nonsense propagated by a lot of jealous easterners and midwesterners. The Conclave is being held in the room of the Varsity O organization, of which Norman Newman, president of Theta Deuteron Chapter, is president. I had a grand talk with Dr. Lubeck, Dean of Men Students at Oregon State College, following his address to the morning session of today's Conclave. Lunch at Theta Deuteron chapter house and then back to the Varsity O for more Conclave.

As I prepared national fraternity vouchers and checks for chapter advisers and chapter delegates for round-trip railroad and Pullman travel to the Conclave I also maintained an attentive ear to the interesting serious discussion of fraternity problems had during the afternoon.

The Conclave banquet, served at the Theta Deuteron chapter house, was not only delicious but beautiful in its candle-

light setting. I was indeed glad to have been able to obtain pictures of this fine group of young men and their advisers making up this Region VI Conclave for the permanent historical motion picture record of our fraternity. These boys deserve much credit for the serious thought which they have these days given for the advancement of their fraternity.

The delegates from Chi Deuteron left on the long drive to Pullman. Many of the others went to the basketball game between Oregon State College and the University of Oregon. The Oregon State team seems to be headed for the play-off series with the leader of the southern division of the Pacific Coast for the Pacific Coast League championship.

Chapter Adviser Sam Graf entertained Bruce, the advisers and me at his beautiful and spacious home later in the evening. With the aid of a subsidy in points from Sam, Glenn Whiffen proved to be quite a match at pool in a game with Sam but still not good enough. All of us were interested in Sam's twelve volume stamp collection (he has been collecting for more than 40 years) and in his rather complete laboratory and work shop. Included in the equipment which he has in the shop is an X-ray machine. Sam is Professor Sam Graf, head of the mechanical engineering department of Oregon State College. (See January, 1943 SIGNET, page 21 and January, 1938 SIGNET, page 202.)

*Sunday, February 9...* What! Rain today? Looks like it will last most of the day. Maybe that talk by those easterners and midwesterners isn't just jealousy, but then they do have to have rain now and then.

Bruce Bean, Mrs. Schoening and I were the guests of the chapter at dinner today. Another delicious dinner served in the precision-like fashion that you would expect by a chapter as well organized as Theta Deuteron. All freshmen are assigned certain weeks of the

academic year during which they must wait on the tables and assist the chef in the kitchen. This has been a tradition and I know of no graduate who doesn't refer to that experience there with pride.

Following dinner Bruce drove us to Eugene, Oregon where Bruce and I had a lengthy conference with all of the members of Psi Deuteron Chapter and the members of the Board of Directors of the alumni corporation. Psi Deuteron sold its chapter house during the war and the undergraduates are now living in veteran housing furnished by the university. The discussion brought out the excellent co-operation of the university with Psi Deuteron and the fact that Psi Deuteron is in the position of purchasing a site if a suitable one can be located. The active chapter is full of enthusiasm and deserves the energetic support of its alumni. Following dinner with Chapter Adviser Willis C. Warren and Mrs. Warren, Bruce took us to the station to board the Cascade, bound for San Francisco — and so concluded another busy day.

*Monday, February 10...* San Francisco. It's good to see the Bay bridges again and to feel the commercial tempo of San Francisco. Brother Bill Wood, President of the Grand Chapter 1938-40, and now Chancellor of the Court of Honor, met us at the Ferry Building at 11:00 a. m. Bill hurried us off to our hotel, the Sir Francis Drake, where I registered as the secretary of an insurance company. Don't point an accusing finger at me or Bill for that is the only way Bill could get me a room. He is in the insurance business and there was an insurance convention in town. Then to lunch at Fishermen's Wharf. Fishermen's Wharf is interesting and always a mecca for visitors to San Francisco. During the afternoon Bill took us on a sight seeing tour of San Francisco in his amphibious town car. (More about the car's amphibious nature later.) We wound up our afternoon's trip on the Berkeley side of the Bay be-

fore returning to San Francisco with a brief call at the Woods' home and a visit to the University of California campus, where Bill and I conferred with the assistant to the dean in charge of fraternities.

In the evening I was the guest of the alumni of San Francisco at the Marconi Italian Restaurant. There was an excellent turn out and I addressed the group, telling them about the program of the national fraternity and what the national fraternity was doing at this time to carry that program into effect.

*Tuesday, February 11 . . .* We have been promised rain today and the clouds are gathering.

As Bill drove me to Palo Alto he called attention to the fact that the gulls were seeking inshore shelter. We stopped to see George Grinnell, chapter adviser of Nu Deuteron, at his radio and music shop in Burlingame, California. He told us about the work which the boys did to the chapter house to rehabilitate it following its return to them from use by the services. We then continued to Palo Alto where we visited college officials in charge of fraternities.

In the evening we were the guests of the chapter at a dinner to which the chapter adviser and members of the Board of Directors of the chapter alumni corporation had also been invited. After dinner I spoke to the active chapter, as did each of the directors of their corporation and Brothers Wood and Grinnell. Prior to dinner, the president of the active chapter, Robert Long, took Bill and me through the chapter house. There was evidence that much hard work had been done to place the house in condition for fraternity occupancy after the war. The first floor rooms were particularly attractive with beautiful, newly-finished floors, rugs, furniture and hangings. The exterior of the house, too, looked in good order with a new paint job and a newly-seeded, very spacious lawn to the front

of the property. I could not help but feel, as the several directors of the chapter alumni corporation detailed the money that had been spent in rehabilitating the chapter, that the chapter and the corporation certainly got good value for the money spent and that undoubtedly would not have been the case without the excellent cooperation given the alumni corporation by the undergraduates who came back two weeks prior to the opening of college and worked steadily to get things into shape.

It rained and it poured intermittently on the return journey to San Francisco. Finally the clouds just opened up and driving became so difficult that when we next stopped and could see again we were on the shoulder of the road. (We had just driven through a flooded area on the road which sprayed such quantities of water on the windshield and side windows that, together with the rain, it was like driving through an ocean wave.)

*Wednesday, February 12 . . .* Lincoln's Birthday. Can't tell you anything about the weather today. You see, this morning I have an appointment for breakfast at the hotel with Bill Wood and four alumni officers of another fraternity to discuss matters of mutual interest.

In the afternoon we got two more hours for sight seeing and had lunch at the Mark Hopkins across the street from the Fairmont, where the national conventions of our fraternity of 1928 and 1938 were held. Of course, the sight seeing tour included a ride on the cable car down Powell Street from the top of Nob Hill. I understand that the cable cars are to be discontinued in another year. That will be too bad. The cable car is to San Francisco what the mounted policeman is to Chicago. They are traditional and where institutions such as that do not hinder progress it is too bad to lose the color they afford a city. The grade on Powell Street will be just as steep for the bus as it is for the cable car

and in the last analysis might be less safe.

Bill met us again at 5:30 and drove us to his lovely home in Piedmont where we were the dinner and over-night guests of him and his fine family.

*Thursday, February 13* . . . Bill drove us to the Oakland 16th Street Station to board the San Joaquin Daylight for Fresno. We had seats in car S 71, but there was no car S 71. It was one of the four cars which were burned and demolished in the wreck of that train on February 4. It struck a loaded gasoline truck and trailer a few miles south of Fresno while north bound to San Francisco, killing several people and injuring no less than 40 or 50. However, we found seats in another car and were soon on our way to Fresno. Ruth Terwilliger Blakey, Alpha Omicron Pi, Illinois '21, classmate of Mrs. Schoening and myself, met us in Fresno. Mrs. Blakey is Executive Secretary of the strong Red Cross chapter in Fresno and since February 4 has been a very busy person because of the wreck of the San Joaquin Daylight only the week before.

Appointments were arranged with Brother Edward V. Tenney, Professor of Psychology and Philosophy at Fresno State College, Dean Briggs and Professor James Burkholder, Theta Chi. Phi Sigs, Theta Chis, Sigma Chis and A O Pi's were all most helpful to me in my mission at Fresno State.

In the evening we were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Blakey at dinner at the El Rancho, an attractive Spanish-type hotel located on the edge of Fresno and recommended by Duncan Hines.

*Friday, February 14* . . . Valentine's Day. Haven't said much about the weather—it's beautiful.

I continued my conferences at Fresno State while Mrs. Blakey showed the sights to Mrs. Schoening, winding up their program with a luncheon for her at the Fresno Hotel. Among other trite sayings, there is the one that it is the woman who

pays. In this case, however, it's the secretary, for up to now it seems that ever since leaving Chicago two weeks ago it has been one continuous round of meetings and conferences and as you have noted, breakfast seems to be no exception. Really, though hurried, all of it has been a pleasure, but just to be sure that I would have no idle time the three young ladies at the National Headquarters keep me amply supplied with telegrams and letters, the latter including both incoming and outgoing. In fact, they even arrange to have them delivered to me as I am boarding trains, such as is the case today as I board the San Joaquin Daylight to continue our trip to Los Angeles.

Now that I have digested the mail just delivered and outlined some work to be given to a public stenographer at my first opportunity, I can settle back to look at some really beautiful scenery for we are now going through the Techachapi Pass and the three-unit diesel-powered engine is pulling this beautiful brown and yellow train over these mountains with the greatest of ease. This is the companion train to the one that was wrecked, so today we are able to appreciate what the Southern Pacific service can be with its marvelous equipment, including parlor car, diners, coffee shop car, lounge and bar car, air conditioned, comfortable coaches, and enunciator service announcing points of interest enroute.

I hadn't been to Los Angeles since 1925. It seemed to me that the last time I stepped off a train there I had to alight in the street. There was practically no station, or only a barracks type one. Thus, the commodious, colorful, efficiently-arranged and beautiful station in Los Angeles was to me both a pleasant surprise and mark of progress, the like of which I had always hoped for in Chicago but have long since begun to despair.

We felt like movie celebrities getting off the train for we were met by Field



Secretary Walter F. Ackerman, Brothers Frank Scriven, Alpha Deuteron grad, Dean Rankin, Beta Deuteron '25, and Mrs. Rankin, and our good friends, the Misses Mabel and Lulu Corser of Brentwood, whose guests we were to be during our visit in Los Angeles.

What I wrote about the secretary is still the case. Brothers Scriven and Ackerman insisted that I had to attend an important conference at the Biltmore Hotel, even though it was already 10:00 p. m. Regional Director Franklin C. Palm and Brother Paul C. Jones, chapter adviser of Omega Deuteron Chapter, were among those who joined us at the Biltmore, where we conferred until well after midnight. Frank then drove me to Brentwood and in no time I knew that the stories of the boundary lines of Los Angeles were not overdone. I thought I was back at the continental divide.

*Saturday February 15, and Sunday, February 16.* I spent two very busy days at the Region V Conclave held at the Omega Deuteron chapter house, which Conclave enjoyed a full attendance of delegates and chapter advisers from the chapters of Region V. Omega Deuteron Chapter was a generous host indeed. Its hospitality was unexcelled. At the Conclave many important topics were discussed at length. I feel that this Conclave and the one in Corvallis the week before have resulted in a deeper sense of national consciousness than has heretofore existed in the western regions. The alumni and undergraduates of Omega Deuteron Chapter are to be congratulated upon the very fine Conclave banquet which they arranged at the Roger Young Auditorium. Again I spoke and summed up our program and what we were doing in the execution of it. I also stressed the importance of living up to the ideals of our fraternity as expressed in our Cardinal Principles. I wound up this busy two-day period with a conference with Field Secretary Ackerman and

Regional Director Palm at the Biltmore Hotel from 6:00 Sunday evening until midnight. We discussed in detail our program as it should be carried out on the West Coast and reviewed, arranged, and re-arranged the itinerary of Brother Ackerman.

*Monday, February 17...* Catching my second wind this morning because this afternoon I am leaving on the Daylight for San Diego where I have numerous appointments at San Diego State. The ride on the Daylight, along the coast a good part of the way, is beautiful. The El Cortez Hotel, situated on what appears to be the highest ground in San Diego, I felt was most hospitable for they assigned me a room in the front of the hotel overlooking most of San Diego and the tremendous harbor that lays before it. I haven't yet decided whether the view was more beautiful during the day or at night. Certainly each was majestic in its own way.

*Tuesday and Wednesday, February 18 and 19...* Busy both days with appointments and I would be remiss if I did not here acknowledge the fine cooperation and assistance of Dean Charles E. Peterson of San Diego State College in making possible many of the contacts I desired and in turning over to me the use of his office for several of the conferences.

Learning that San Diego State College was quite some distance from the downtown area, I hired a rent-a-car for the purpose but after having an almost totally brakeless, gearless Plymouth turned over to me for the first day I gave it up in favor of buses the second day. I can well understand why insurance companies sometimes cancel their risks.

*Thursday, February 20...* This is the first day since leaving Chicago that I have had which is unscheduled so I am going to make the most of it. Having taken a ride to Ramona's Marriage Place, La Jolla, Coronado and Tijuana, Mexico I am a bit tired as I board the

San Diegan at 7:00 this evening for the return trip to Los Angeles.

*February 21* through the 24th . . . Through arrangements made by Brother Spencer Olin, Alpha Deuteron '29, attorney for Disney Productions, Mrs. Schoening and I were able to visit both the MGM and the Disney studios on Friday, and on Friday the Rankins, Olins and Schoenings went to Cocoonut Grove. Saturday and Sunday our hosts, the Corsers, took us sight seeing to San Juan Capistrano, Forest Lawn and San Gabriel. Through arrangements made by my former National Headquarters' secretary, Miss Eleanor Kieper, Eleanor and her friend, Miss Marge Maland, joined us at the Lux Theatre program, Lucey's for dinner, and a visit to Eleanor's guest house overlooking Silver Lake.

*February 25* . . . Necessary to work today. Except for luncheon spent the entire day dictating to a public stenographer and conferring with Walter Ackerman about my trip to San Diego and his to Santa Barbara and making some revisions in his itinerary. Brothers Paul Jones, Clifford Lyddon, president of Omega Deuteron Chapter, and Bill Fraser and the Scrivens were luncheon guests of Brother Ackerman and myself at the Biltmore. Expansion was the principal topic of discussion.

*February 26* through the 28th . . . Spent these three days sight seeing as guests of the Corsers and if there is anything between Santa Barbara and the north, Santa Anita, San Marino and Pasadena on the west and Leguna Beach on the south that we did not see it is not the fault of the Corsers for we were going both day and night. I took the final movie camera shot of this trip from Inspiration Point in Santa Monica of the sun setting on the Pacific Coast with the Californian palms silhouetted against it. I think it was a fitting parting gesture before being driven to our train by the Corsers where we were again met by the Rankins, who

presented Mrs. Schoening with a pink camellia for her return journey.

If in spots my detail has bored you please forgive me for it is the result of my enthusiasm for the fraternity regions which I have just had the good fortune to visit, the beautiful and inspiring scenery of this area, and the genuine friendliness, courtesy and hospitality of the people who live in it. One of the purposes of my visit to these regions of our fraternity was to further emphasize our national unity. I hope that my visit to these regions has in fact added the material strength to that ever-growing consciousness that I felt it did. I hope that every brother will, in all his travels, add to this concept of our fraternity by contacting as many brothers as he can at the places he visits in the time available to him.

*Sunday, March 2* . . . Dearborn Street Station, an atrocious place! The terminus of six important railroads, including the Santa Fe! Three times as many passengers wanting taxi cabs as there are cabs available!

It has just stopped snowing and the drive along the Lake through Jackson Park is beautiful. New wet snow clinging to the trees in a manner such as only nature can arrange. About 25 above zero — boy, it's cold!

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#### AWARDED LEGION D'HONNEUR AND CROIX DE GUERRE

Brother James R. Murphy, Lambda '29, was presented by the French Government, with ceremonies at the French Embassy February 7, 1947, the Legion d'Honneur (Chevalier), and Croix de Guerre with palm leaves for services with the Army of the United States in the liberation of France.

An award of the American Medal of Freedom was made to him by the Executive Order of the War Department on July 6, 1945.

# Dinner At The White House

## A Book Review



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I have been reading *Dinner at the White House* by Louis Adamic (Harper and Brothers) and have found it very stimulating.

The circumstances of the dinner were these: Mr. Adamic had recently published a book entitled *Two Way Passage* in which he suggested that various alien Americans should be recruited, trained, and sent back to their respective countries to establish the concepts and practices of democracy in various ways. The date was January 13, 1942. The Roosevelts were entertaining Winston Churchill. Mr. Churchill was in this country to insure the greatest possible coöperation in carrying on the war and seeking to bind more closely together the English-speaking nations. Mr. Churchill at that time was very much aware of the ultimate nationalistic program in Russia and was convinced that there would be eventually only two alternatives: either Anglo Imperialism or Russian Communism; and he was presumably seeking to commit the United States to the former. Adamic, who was born in Yugoslavia, was certainly not unsympathetic to the Russian program and was subsequently to be decorated by Marshall Tito. Mr. Roosevelt was trying to impress upon the Prime

Minister the fact that America is a melting pot and that there are a very large number of Americans, representing a very large number of European nations, who do not like England and do not approve of the British Empire. There was, therefore, brought to pass a rather extraordinary dinner party, Mr. Churchill having been asked to read *Two Way Passage* in preparation therefor. The description of that dinner party, based upon apparently very careful and conscientious notes taken by Mr. and Mrs. Adamic immediately after, makes for entertaining and illuminative reading.

The second half of the book is largely reminiscence, reflection, and speculation in regard to the deeper meanings of the dinner conference. Mr. Adamic's impressions of the distinguished people concerned and also the international implications of things which were said and left unsaid are certainly worthy of careful consideration by our college men.

Quite naturally he did not take to the Prime Minister and apparently the Prime Minister did not take to him. Churchill is shown, however, as a determined, if somewhat graceless, diplomat, sure of his own mind and almost fanatically dedicated to his ideal of the empire.

The President seems to have been entirely aware of what was going on and quite probably had staged this act not so much with the expectation of bringing the Prime Minister over to an international policy which Mr. Adamic calls the "middle way" as for the sake of watching the Prime Minister's reactions to certain facts of life with which he was not at all in sympathy. But Mr. Adamic obviously felt that the President was holding the less tenable, and for that matter the less tenacious, position and he became more and more convinced that the President's program, if not indeed his objective, was likely to vary from month to month if not indeed from day to day.

This impression of the President is borne out by a very different kind of appraisal, that of Frances Perkins whose book "The Roosevelt I Knew" (The Viking Press) is the record of a devoted associate who was, however, never blinded to the point of idolatry. Miss Perkins also reached the conclusion that Mr. Roosevelt's policies were constantly subject to change in the light of new conditions, and that for Elliott or anyone else to assume to declare what they would have been in 1947 is entirely fatuous. Both Miss Perkins and Mr. Adamic believe that before his death his interest was entirely in the United Nations and Mr. Adamic suggests the interesting conjecture that Roosevelt would have liked to run on a ticket with Wendell Wilkie with the thought of subsequently turning the domestic administration over to the vice-president while he devoted his energies to shaping up a new international regime.

It is of interest to note that whereas Miss Perkins gives the impression of being pretty largely unaware of Eleanor Roosevelt, Mr. Adamic was profoundly impressed by her as hostess, wife, and especially as a definite influence behind the President. The guest was convinced of the fact that it was she of the three dominant figures who was most high-

minded in her objectives and most liberal in her program for bringing them to pass.

Whether you as an individual can tolerate the idea of "That Man" or the recollection of "My Day," the fact remains that both in terms of the development and exploitation of the atomic bomb and in terms of the international crisis dramatized by our sudden awareness of "One World", Franklin D. Roosevelt is bound to go down in history as one of the great presidents, and whether subsequent events lead to a simplification of his character and his leadership or whether they lead to controversial issues now not even revealed, the pre-eminence of the central figure is indisputable. There will be hundreds of books — biographical, historical, philosophic — on the subject of F.D.R. and the ones written by Miss Perkins and Mr. Adamic will eventually come to be source books of considerable authority. Meanwhile, we are living in the exciting turmoil of uncertainty and are entitled to personal judgments and predictions and I for one have found both of the books mentioned in this statement of very great interest and value.

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### CONWAY TO HELP DESIGN SHANGHAI UTILITY

Dr. Thomas Conway, Jr., Mu '04, is one of the two Philadelphians commissioned to make a survey and a modern transportation system for Shanghai, China.

Brother Conway, former president and chairman of the board of the Philadelphia and Western Railway Company, will supervise engineering, traffic and other technical phases of the survey. The survey, to last at least six months, will be used in preparing plans for an integrated network of high-speed trolley, motorbus and ferry lines. Dr. Conway and the two other men in the party sailed from San Francisco on February 14, 1947 on the S. S. Marine Lynx.

## Region V Conclave

The Conclave of Region V was held at the Omega Deuteron chapter house at the University of Southern California on February 15 and 16, 1947, one week after Region VI held its Conclave. The Conclave was honored with the presence of National Secretary-Treasurer Earl F. Schoening, who had just come from the Region VI Conclave, and Brother Walter F. Ackerman, Field Secretary for Phi Sigma Kappa.

Regional Director Franklin C. Palm opened the Conclave with a greeting to the advisers, delegates and alumni. He then read a letter received from National President Herbert L. Brown wishing the Conclave success and expressing his regrets for his inability to attend the Conclave.

Brother Palm appointed Lester Vlahos secretary to the Conclave and then appointed Brothers Paul Jones, chapter adviser of Omega Deuteron, Robert Long, delegate from Nu Deuteron, and Ted L. Withers, chapter adviser of Eta Deuteron, to the Recommendations Committee, and Brother Tom James, chapter adviser of Omega, Kurt Baker, delegate from Eta Deuteron, and George Grinnell, chapter adviser of Nu Deuteron, to the Resolutions Committee.

The morning session was given over to chapter reports, in which it was brought out that Omega Chapter is reactivating through the complete and splendid cooperation of both the actives and alumni; that Eta Deuteron is having a successful year, the house having been completely remodeled and the undergraduates very active in scholarship, athletics and social affairs. Brothers Grinnell and Long reported that the Nu Deuteron chapter house was in very poor condition following its occupation by the army, that the chapter reactivated very quickly after the war, that plans

are being made for a new house, and that the chapter was now having a very successful year in scholarship, contacting the alumni, and social functions.

Chapter Adviser Jones reported that Omega Deuteron was not inactive during the war because many members were in the NROTC and that now they have an overflow of members. He further reported that the house was rented during the war and that now, because of its age, the chapter is interested in the building of a new one. He also reported that the chapter lost five pledges last semester because of poor scholarship and that steps are now being taken to prevent a recurrence. Brother Schoening being asked for his opinion, he expressed the thought that where a chapter was already housed, now was a poor time to build a new chapter house because everything is at the peak in prices. He recommended that instead of building now that the organization for building be perfected and funds collected. He strongly recommended the building fund program, which provides for the payment to the alumni corporation by each undergraduate of \$100.00 in \$3.00 monthly installments payable during the college years.

At 2:00 the Conclave recessed to partake of a very interesting and delicious buffet luncheon served by Omega Deuteron Chapter.

At 2:30 Brother Jones opened the second session of the Conclave, at which Brother Schoening discussed at length the process of starting new chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa. He also explained his plan for the formation of a group of undergraduate counsellors, in which program he hoped to be able to interest many alumni.

Field Secretary Walter F. Ackerman, who has done extensive visiting for the

national fraternity, was next called upon for an expression of his views. He brought out the necessity for closer relationship between the alumni of the fraternity, the active chapters, and the alumni clubs. A lengthy discussion ensued following Brother Ackerman's observations. Brother Jones expressed the thought that each alumni association should get an accurate file of their members and then send it to the National Headquarters for address check and composite file purposes.

The second session of the Conclave adjourned at 5:00 p. m. and reconvened at 7:00 at the Conclave banquet held in the Roger Young Auditorium. Brother Schoening was the speaker. There was a large turnout of local alumni who, together with the national officers, chapter advisers, and delegates enjoyed the excellent cuisine and good fellowship.

The business sessions of the Conclave reconvened at 11:00 Sunday morning, February 16, with Brother George Grinnell, chapter adviser of Nu Deuteron, in the chair. Brother Lyddon, president of Omega Deuteron Chapter, led the discussion of rushing.

Brother William B. Sanders, professor at the University of Southern California, was next called upon to speak on the relationship of the fraternity to the college. He pointed out that the fraternity helps men become social minded along with the fraternity's ideals, which endeavors to prepare the man for later life, thus giving him a well rounded education. Also, that fraternity men are more interested in the progress of the university than is the student who does not belong to a fraternity.

Further discussion brought out the desirability of the maintenance of social life without the use of liquor and the necessity for not overdoing the number of parties and thereby interfering with grades; that the maintenance of high scholarship was absolutely necessary and to further this end the Conclave recommended the use of study halls. The importance of prompt payment of house bills and creditors of the chapter was also brought out.

The following resolutions, reported by the Resolutions Committee, were unanimously adopted:

1. That a vote of thanks be extended



REGION V CONCLAVE BANQUET

to the Omega Deuteron Chapter and its alumni for being hosts of the Conclave and showing such fine hospitality and fraternal spirit.

2. That a letter be drafted by Conclave Secretary Lester Vlahos extending greetings to our National President, Herbert L. Brown, thanking him for his fine letter and including a brief report of the subjects discussed and the objectives obtained.
3. That a vote of thanks be extended to Brother Schoening thanking him for being here, and for his many helpful suggestions.
4. That a vote of thanks be extended to Brother Ackerman for his being here and may he have the best of luck in his future work here on the West Coast and throughout the rest of the country.
5. That a vote of thanks be extended Brother Palm for his inspiring leadership in organizing this very successful Conclave.

The following recommendations, reported by the Recommendations Committee, were unanimously adopted:

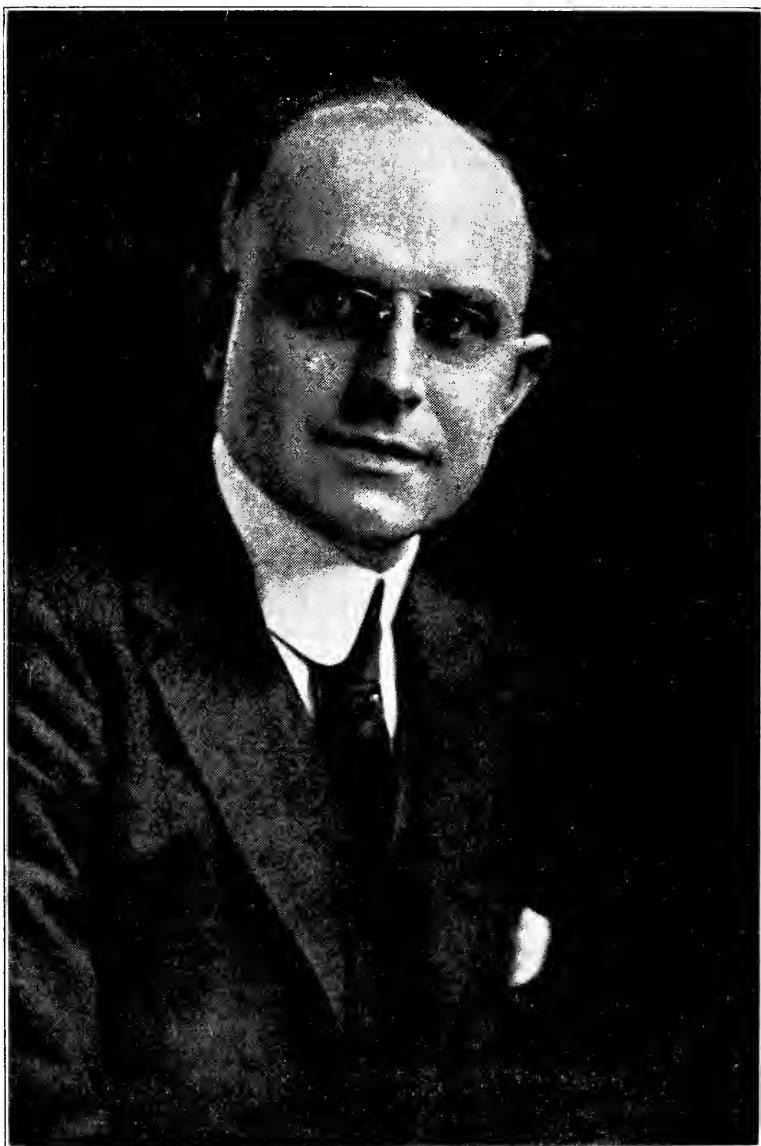
1. Alumni dues be collected by the alumni club and the Headquarters, the alumni club remitting two thirds of the sum to the national, or the national remitting one-third of the sum to the alumni club, whichever the case may be. The national should set the price of the dues.
2. That the national proceed to establish chapters in state colleges as soon as possible.
3. Region V should be visited by the National President or by the Secretary at least once a year.
4. That a form be established recommending a rushee in one locale by a member of another locale. These forms are to be sent to the various chapters and alumni clubs for use.

Brother John Toellner, president of Omega Chapter, then led the discussion on the relation of the chapters to the National Headquarters. Brother Ackerman made the observation that if correspondence from the National Headquarters was read at the chapter meetings that there would be less misunderstanding and much time saved, both at the National Headquarters and at the chapter. He recommended that all members read *THE SIGNET* through for through this medium they can learn what the National Headquarters and other chapters are doing.

The importance of financing the next off year Conclave was then discussed, following which it was voted that each chapter in Region V contribute \$5.00 for eight of the academic months to the Grand Chapter for use by delegates and chapter advisers to defray such expenses as round-trip railroad and Pullman fare, meals, hotel, and entertainment to, and at, off-year Conclaves.

Brother Schoening then discussed the importance of each chapter maintaining a high scholastic average. He also recommended that each chapter have in its possession a Phi Sigma Kappa flag to be flown when a national officer is visiting, at Founders' Day banquet, and at such other occasions as the chapter might find appropriate. He also cautioned the chapter to examine their opportunities for publicity carefully before giving their consent thereto, recommending that the matter first have the approval of the chapter adviser and the university. He stressed that it was the desire of the national fraternity and its officers to make Phi Sigma Kappa a stronger and better fraternity in the years to come and that with the aid and full cooperation of each and every member of the fraternity there was no reason why this goal could not be achieved.

The Conclave adjourned at 3:00 p. m.



HORACE R. BARNES



# Phi Sigma Kappa

By RALPH J. WATTS

(Continued from January 1947 SIGNET)

1930 - 1932

THE revised By-laws adopted at the 1930 Convention increased the Council from eight to nine members, the ninth to be designated as Vice-president at Large. The Convention elections brought to the governing board four new members; Charles R. Huff, who succeeded Fell as Vice-president from Region III; Carl Morrow, who succeeded Barnes as Vice-president Director of Scholarship; Frank Smith, who succeeded Schoening as Vice-president from Region IV (Schoening having been elected Vice-president Director of Finances); and John H. Marchmont, Vice-president at Large. In 1940, following a decade of faithful and respected leadership, Marchmont was to be chosen National President, and was to serve the Fraternity with marked distinction during the critical years of the second World War.

The Council reappointed Watts as Secretary and Treasurer, Burrows as Editor, and Batt and Cedric W. Foster as Trustees of the Endowment fund, the latter to fill the unexpired term of Barnes who had been elected President.

The effects of the economic depression which opened dramatically in October, 1929, were first felt noticeably in this fraternity in the academic year 1930-31. At the Council meeting held at Amherst in August, 1931, the Secretary-Treasurer presented an analysis indicating the downward trend of income from initiation fees and discussed its implications. For the first time in nearly a decade, serious consideration had to be given to the practice of rigid economies in the expenditure of Council funds. The average number of initiates per chapter declined to ten, the lowest in more than a decade.

The more effective administration of the uniform accounting system for chapters was considered at a special conference of deputy financial advisers held with Schoening in Amherst in connection with the Council meeting of August 18-19, 1931.

One petition for a charter, that from the Agathon Club at Purdue University, was granted by the 1930 Convention. This chapter was inducted November 7-8, 1930.

Prior to Founders' Day in March, 1931, the Council announced to the chapters and clubs that so far as possible national officers would join with these units in the commemoration of Founders' Day and urged the arrangement of meetings appropriate to this occasion. As a result there were reported thirty formal celebrations of Founders' Day, representing twenty-six chapters and four clubs.



CARL MORROW

Because of limited funds, the Council in 1932 did not stress the attendance of its members at Founders' Day meetings where considerable expense for travel would be involved; accordingly, a smaller number of chapters than in 1931 were addressed by national officers on this important occasion.

In the autumn of 1930 the President appointed a committee to edit and publish a revised song book. This committee made a thorough canvass of chapters and clubs and obtained a large number of new songs. However, because of the condition of the treasury, the completion of this project was again postponed.

**S**CHOENING had been urging the importance of permanently recording and preserving some of the significant scenes and personalities associated with the founding and development of Phi Sigma Kappa. Accordingly, in May, 1931 President Barnes appointed a committee consisting

of Watts, Schoening and H. Pierce Vandercook to secure financial support for the project which became known as the "Brooks Movietone." Chapters were invited to contribute to this fund on the basis of \$1.00 per active member, and a general appeal for funds from alumni was made in *THE SIGNET*. The response, while gratifying, was not such as to insure the financial success of this project. The Council at its meeting in August, 1931, in consultation with the Supreme Court, carefully considered the advisability of financing this project from the resources of the Council. The final conclusion was, however, that until such time as contributions were adequate to meet the cost of this project, it should be deferred. While this important project had been temporarily abandoned, Schoening had taken several hundred feet of silent motion pictures of Brooks, Howe and Root, and of various scenes at the Massachusetts State College.



FRANK SMITH

Notwithstanding the serious problem which the prevailing economic conditions created in 1930-32 for practically every chapter, in general the condition of the chapters continued favorable during this difficult period.

In 1932 a committee of the Council made a study of the cost to undergraduates and alumni, of membership in a number of leading fraternities, and this study disclosed the fact that the cost to members of Phi Sigma Kappa was substantially lower than that of other fraternities rendering comparable service. This survey laid the foundation for the subsequent establishment of undergraduate dues, which at the 1938 Convention were increased to \$6.00 per year. The committee reported that while the average cost was between \$40.00 and \$50.00, in some fraternities undergraduates were required to pay the national organization \$60.00, \$80.00 or in one case \$105.00; the cost in Phi Sigma Kappa was \$15.00 plus a \$10.00 equalization fee for the traveling expenses of delegates and chapter advisers to the General Conven-

tion. The report further contained this significant conclusion: "The modest assessment made by our national organization is at once the cause and the result of the low cost of administration. It appears that no other fraternity with as many chapters as Phi Sigma Kappa or with as many alumni is administering its organization on such a small budget for current expenses as is ours."

As soon as possible after the close of the 1930 Convention, the revised By-laws, together with the charter and secret rituals, were printed and distributed to the chapters without expense to them.

### *THE 1932 CONVENTION — ASHVILLE*

THE 1932 Convention was held at Ashville, North Carolina. This was the first convention in many years which had been held in a relatively small community, away from the distractions of a crowded city. The advantages of this departure from tradition were recognized by all and in general the plan was endorsed.

Dr. Root, who had not missed a convention in a quarter of a century, addressed the opening session with a characteristic inspirational address. He presented to the President a gavel and block for the use of the presiding officer at the National Conventions. These he had himself fashioned from white oak taken from a tree grown on the farm of Founder Barrett at Barre, Massachusetts. The presentation of the gavel and block was re-enacted out of doors at the close of the convention for the purpose of making a permanent record of this impressive event; these scenes are among the most significant of those appearing in the historical film. This was to be Root's last appearance at a national Convention; he died at his home in Hartford, Connecticut, December 18, 1933.

At this Convention two applications for charters were presented, one from Beta Sigma at Montana State College and the other from Delta Sigma Tau at Norwich University. Both petitions were approved. However, the local at Montana was not installed until the spring of 1939 because of the effects of the economic depression, and the local at Norwich collapsed at an early date and before its induction.

At this Convention, as at many previous ones, there was vigorous opposition by delegates from some of the eastern chapters to what appeared to them to be a haphazard and too rapid policy of expansion. This opposition was based in part upon the fact that in the previous decade twenty charters had been granted and in part upon the commendable pride which the representatives of certain of the older chapters had in maintaining for Phi Sigma Kappa the highest standards of membership and institutional representation. This, however, was the last Convention held in the period now under discussion when this issue was raised; no petitions were presented in 1934, and in that year the By-laws of the Grand Chapter were again modified to place upon the Council, rather than upon the Convention, the final responsibility for granting charters.

This Convention produced the customary number of recommendations for the improvement of the order, and these, as in previous years, were carried out as far as was possible by the new Council.

The most notable legislation of this Convention was that growing out of a proposal made by the undergraduate delegates of the Illinois and University of Washington chapters. This proposal was that each active member should voluntarily pay into an emergency fund, to be held by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Grand Chapter as trustee, the sum of 25c per month, this fund to be used as loans to active chapters to meet financial emergencies. This legislation, based as it was upon the



JOSEPH E. ROOT

conviction of these delegates that undergraduates should make a practical application of their fraternal vows, in the following three years produced a fund of \$4,114.50, nearly all of which was in subsequent years loaned to chapters in accordance with the designated purpose. All but six chapters participated in these contributions, and six chapters paid their assessments in full during the life of the legislation.

Few of these loans, however, were repaid, because they were made to chapters which, notwithstanding this and other financial assistance extended to them by the Council, were unable successfully to solve their difficult problems created by the economic depression which was at its worst in these years.

Significant features of the program of this Convention were independent meetings of undergraduate delegates, of chapter advisers, and of alumni club representatives. The golf and tennis tournaments which were made possible because the Convention was held at a country hotel, offered further distinct recreational attractions.

At the close of this Convention, the newly elected President was formally inducted into office by an impressive ritual which had been prepared by Lafean and first exemplified on this occasion.

The Convention banquet was presided over by Past Chancellor Root. The brief program of speaking was participated in by delegates and officers attending the Convention, and the evening ended happily with a dance at the hotel.

**B**ARNES had been a capable and respected leader, industrious, courageous and loyal. He left the high position of President with the grateful and affectionate appreciation of the chapters and alumni clubs which had been so ably served during this period. In 1931 he had been granted a leave of absence by Franklin and Marshall College on the faculty of which he held a position of responsibility, and with his charming wife visited the chapters and clubs in the western states.

From 1930 to 1932 Brother Barnes served as a member of the Executive Committee of the National Interfraternity Conference, from which office he retired because of pressure of other responsibilities.

The 1932 Convention elected as its President, Raymond C. Lafean.

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### HARRY MILLER ELECTED PRESIDENT AKRON ALUMNI CLUB

The annual meeting of the Akron Alumni Club was held at the chapter house, January 8, 1947. Harry Miller was elected president for the year beginning on Founders' Day. Brother Miller was a Phi Sig on the campus of the University of Maryland and has done a great deal of work in helping to establish the Akron Alumni Club. It's true that most of the Akron alumni are former students of the University of Akron, but Harry's election is convincing proof that the Akron Alumni Club is for *all* Phi Sigs. Other officers elected were Wilbur Davidson, vice-president; Bob Davies, secretary; and Don Cornell, treasurer. John

Buckley, Warren Brockett, and Al Shetler were elected to two year terms on the Board of Directors with Miff Terrass elected to the vacancy created by the elevation of Miller to the presidency. An amendment was passed making the alumni adviser to the active chapter an ex-officio member of the Board.

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### PICTURED ON AEROGUIDE COVER

Brother Joe Vivari, Lambda '46, was pictured on the cover of the January, 1947 issue of *Aeroguide* showing how the latest in safety devices is being applied to commercial air travel. Joe is control tower operator at the Washington National Airport.

# Region VI Conclave

The holding of conclaves on the Pacific Coast was renewed with the opening of the Conclave for Region VI by Norman Newman, president of Theta Deuteron Chapter at the chapter house, Corvallis, Oregon, the evening of February 7, 1947. After welcoming the delegates, chapter advisers and national officers he called upon Regional Director Bruce Bean to read a communication from National President Herbert L. Brown. Brother Brown thereby expressed his best wishes for the success of the Conclave and his regrets for his being unable to attend the meetings. Brother Newman then asked Brother Peterson of Theta Deuteron to discuss the subject of budgets, the first topic on the agenda. Brother Peterson explained the situation at his chapter and the method of budgeting at Oregon State College. He also mentioned the low cost of living at Oregon State. Brother Peterson explained that Oregon State requires a monthly audit, copies of which go to the adviser, the Dean of Men, and the house manager, and that all delinquent accounts are submitted to the college and grades are withheld until the accounts are settled. Mu Deuteron and Chi Deuteron reported on their costs of living, Chi Deuteron stating that their system is somewhat similar to that of Oregon State except that they have to handle their own delinquent accounts. According to the delegate from Mu Deuteron, the college handles the house manager's job for it collects the house bill and pays all the bills incurred by the house during the month.

Brother Sam Graf, chapter adviser of Theta Deuteron, inquired of Brother Schoening if there was a general policy pursued by building corporations in the creation of chapter house building funds. In reply, Brother Schoening stated that

most of the more successful chapter building programs continued to be financed by every undergraduate, paying to the alumni corporation through the active chapter treasurer sums ranging between \$50.00 and \$100.00 in installments which range from \$2.50 to \$3.00 a month for the ten academic months of the college year.

Brother Schoening was asked if the Grand Chapter could assist local chapters in financing building programs. To this inquiry Brother Schoening replied that the amendments to the Endowment Trust Fund Agreement passed at the conventions of 1942 and 1945 gave the Endowment Trustees the power to loan funds to the Grand Chapter to be used by the Grand Chapter in the rehabilitation and re-establishment of chapters provided that the application for such funds received the majority vote of the combined membership of the Council and Court of Honor of the fraternity and also was favored by two of the three Endowment Trustees. Brother Schoening also advised that the Grand Chapter could use Life Membership funds for such purposes whenever application therefor was favorably passed upon by two of the three members of the Budget Committee of the fraternity.

Brother Don Gordon of Theta Deuteron led the discussion on house maintenance and insurance.

Brother Ralph DeLateur of Theta Deuteron led the discussion on discipline. He indicated that more and more the paddle was being substituted by a system of work details. Chi Deuteron advised that they have completely done away with the paddle and that in its place they have substituted a system of fines that range from \$1.00 to \$2.50. Brother Pugh of Lambda Deuteron stated that the small items that need cor-

recting are handled by giving a "thought for the day", an effective method.

The Conclave then discussed the matter of financing the Conclave which is held in the off year; that year in which no national convention is held and at the conclusion thereof voted unanimously that each chapter of Region VI send \$10.00 a month for the months of October through May of the academic year to the national treasurer, to be held by him as a fund to be drawn upon by the chapters of Region VI for the payment of the round-trip railroad and Pullman fare, hotel, meal and entertainment expenses of the delegates and chapter advisers to the Conclave.

Just before the close of the first session, Brother Bean, Regional Director, appointed a Resolutions Committee and a Recommendations Committee.

The Conclave resumed with the opening of the second session in the Varsity O room of the Oregon State Memorial Building Saturday morning, February 8.

Dr. Luback, Dean of Men Students at Oregon State College addressed the Conclave to open the morning session. In his talk to the Conclave he stressed the favorable attitude of Oregon State College toward its fraternities and stated that when fraternities prosper the university prospers and that they do not want to restrict the fraternities. At the conclusion of Dr. Luback's remarks the meeting was turned over to Brother Lloyd Pugh of Lambda Deuteron to lead the discussion on expansion.

Phil Campbell took the floor to discuss the "Possibilities of Expansion." He stated that the new Washington State Legislature had just passed a law that all normal schools in Washington can now grant B.A. degrees and this now makes them eligible to have national fraternities on their campus. Other colleges that are eligible for chapters that we do not have one at are: Linfield College at McMinnville; Willamette College; University of Idaho; College of

Puget Sound; and University of B. C.

Brother George O'Neil covered the topic "What is Being Done by the National and the Region on Expansion." He stated that the national has cut the paper work by investing the power to grant chapters to a committee composed of the National President, the Secretary-Treasurer and a Director-at-Large; that the national has two field secretaries now instead of one and that it now costs only \$100.00 for all the equipment to start a chapter.

Brother George Crosta covered the topic "Procedure in Establishing a Chapter." He stated that if any of us know members of the faculty or alumni who are at any of these colleges to get in touch with Bruce Bean, Regional Director, or Earl F. Schoening, National Secretary-Treasurer, so that they can get together with these men. It takes something like this so that we are not total strangers and it is easier to obtain permission for a chapter when you have an interested person on the faculty or alumni in town.

The Conclave recessed for luncheon served at the Theta Deuteron chapter house.

Following luncheon, the delegates returned to the Varsity O room and Chi Deuteron led the discussion on rushing.

Brother Vern Jaquish, Chi Deuteron, stated that they do not pledge anyone unless he is known by one of the pledges or actives in the house and have come from his home town or know his family. He stated that the chapter does very little pre-school rushing and rushes only a few guests at a time. He stated their members are on a constant look-out for prospective pledge material and that they entertain rushees with dinners, firesides and smokers. Thompson of Chi Deuteron stated that they ask their alumni to select and send to them outstanding high school men. Theta Deuteron disagreed with the program of Chi Deuteron which provided that they would only rush men

known to the men in the house and stated that some of Theta Deuteron's best men were met on the campus and some of the worst were sons or friends of members. Theta Deuteron, too, stated that they had three guest nights a week and that way confined the number of guests at any one time to a few. Brother Dudley of Lambda Deuteron stated that they were planning to make a movie of chapter house life to be used to show prospective pledges. Regional Director Bruce Bean recommended that the chapters obtain men from the local high schools and warned that the turn over in veterans should be very great. Lambda Deuteron suggested that alumni be informed of the results of entertaining rushees recommended by alumni.

Mu Deuteron led the discussion on scholarship. It was brought out that Mu Deuteron awards a scholarship cup to the pledge having the highest scholarship. The discussion revealed that Chi Deuteron enforces very strict study hour rules. Lambda Deuteron told of its tentative plans for a scholarship program calling for the awarding of \$150.00 a year in prizes.

Psi Deuteron then led the meeting in a discussion of public relations. Theta Deuteron expressed the opinion that relations between the chapters was very important and that all chapters should help each other, in every way possible. Chi Deuteron stated that their public relations are handled through dinners, dances, picnics, interfraternity exchange dinners, smokers, etc.. Zeta Triton told of its interchange of parties with close-by houses and Lambda Deuteron stated that it was starting a series of stag affairs for alumni, the affairs to be held monthly. Theta Deuteron praised the activities of its Mothers' Club.

Zeta Triton led the discussion on national legislation, all points on which were clarified by National Secretary-Treasurer, Brother Schoening.

Upon recommendation of the Resolutions Committee the following resolutions were unanimously passed:

1. That the Grand Chapter award a key to that man in each chapter of Region VI who best lives up to the Cardinal Principles.
2. That the official delegates to the national convention be required to have two quarters or one semester of college following the convention and that said delegates indicate their intention of returning to their college after the convention.
3. That the chapters of this region favor strict adherence to the By-Laws in regard to official fraternity pins.
4. That this Conclave expresses its thanks and appreciation to Theta Deuteron Chapter for its fine hospitality and to Earl F. Schoening and Bruce C. Bean for their attendance and their interest, counsel and advice.

The Conclave concluded with a delicious dinner served in the spacious dining room of Theta Deuteron's beautiful chapter house. Brother Schoening was the speaker. He enlarged upon the value of the national fraternity and its many advantages and stressed the building of a greater national Phi Sigma Kappa and adherence to our Cardinal Principles.

#### **FORBES APPOINTED INSURANCE COMMISSIONER FOR MICHIGAN**

Brother David A. Forbes, Delta Deuteron '21, is now Commissioner of the Department of Insurance for the State of Michigan. A native of Grand Rapids, Dave is well-known in both State and National insurance circles.

At Masonic ceremonies held in September, 1946 in Pittsburgh, Brother Forbes was accorded signal honors when he received the 33rd Degree. General Mark Clark also was awarded this honor at the same time.



# Privilege To Prosecute

Brother Robert L. Kunzig, Mu '31, has written from Dauchau, Germany, where he is a prosecuting attorney at the War Crimes Court, as follows:

After my release from active duty in the Army, last July, I spent a delightful summer touring our western states for the first time. I flew out to Colorado, California, then back through Arizona and Texas. It was interesting to discover that Pittsburgh isn't near the Pacific after all, and that Chicago is well over two subway stops from Pasadena. Had my fifth grade teacher ridden past Paoli just once, I might have learned these things a few years earlier. That's the trouble with being a dyed in the wool Philadelphian.

After my return from the west coast, I accepted an appointment as a prosecuting attorney for the United States Government in Europe and headed back overseas. It was good to be a civilian with the war just past history, and I settled down to waging peace in earnest. My role here is more or less dual in nature thanks to an interesting arrangement with Assistant Secretary of State John Hilldring. In my spare time, I'm to keep a weather eye out for former special prisoners of war, and assist them wherever it might aid the democratizing of Germany or is to the advantage of the United States Government. It's been fascinating combining these two jobs, and 1947 promises to be the best year ever.

I re-crossed the Atlantic on the S.S. *George Washington*, where life was, to say the least, exceedingly dull. So I took to my stateroom and deck chair and curled up with a mass of books. The *Washington* has a library worthy of the upstairs backroom of the Gideon Society. I read a mixture of "The Egg and I" tainted with a bit of Jules Verne and

topped off with Sir Walter Scott. In my dreams aboard ship I saw myself dueling Ivanhoe on a chicken ranch twenty thousand leagues under the sea.

But Bremerhaven arrived at long last, and the sea journey was ended. We disembarked into waiting trains, and turned over the noble *Washington* to a group of war brides and one war groom (he married a WAC). The ruins of Bremerhaven glistened in a cold, dreary October rain. We were back in Germany once again.

I was sent up to Goslar in the Harz mountains to prepare several cases immediately upon my arrival at War Crimes Headquarters. I prowled all over the British Zone feeling like a quasi-military Dick Tracy with pistol in hand. It was my job to track down murderers and sadists. One fellow whom we captured in a quaint, country farmhouse near Hannover looked just like "The Mole." His wife made Gravel Gertie outshine Lana Turner. It's no wonder to me he murdered Allied fliers for a pastime; there certainly wasn't anything else for him to do.

The British were just swell the entire time I was in their zone. They went out of their way in every instance to cooperate with the Americans. Aside from a propensity to slap us on the back and say, "Well—bing bing, old chap!" (I still haven't figured out what that means) the British were perfect.

After one month in Goslar, a sudden telephone call ordered me at once to the War Crimes Courts to take up the prosecution of two exceptionally vicious sadists who had been the chief assistants to the Dachau Concentration Camp fuhrer for five years. Dachau is not the most beautiful vacation spot of the world, even when you're "outside" the camp instead of "inside." Hot water in the

morning is apparently a luxury of the forgotten past. Central heating is a vision of the future. As Betty MacDonald would say, "stove" sulks in the corner, groans, coughs, and occasionally gives out heat. I was assigned a room boasting four walls and a bed (not to mention a window thrown in gratis). The rest of the rather necessary items, I've had to "organize" in the best manner possible. I'm set now, until next September. Woe to him who tries to dislodge me from my concentration camp suite. At least I can tell my grandchildren that I, too, was in Dachau.

In some ways it's been difficult being by far the youngest attorney on the staff here. I've remained faithfully in the background, listening and learning from attorneys of some twenty-five different states. The horror of my first case against the two sadists (Hipp and Frohnappfel) is beyond description. As near as I can figure, they beat, kicked, froze, or otherwise killed over five thousand men in their tenure of office at Dachau. It's hard for the normal American mind to grasp the fact that a man can spend his entire day walking about amongst sick prisoners kicking various ones to death "just for the fun of it."

One day in 1943, these noble Nazis pounded two helpless sick men with their fists until "their faces were no longer recognizable as faces." Then as the two begged on bended knee for life, or at least death, Hipp laughed and said, "Look, they got dirty faces." Then he dragged the bodies through the dirt to the latrine, threw them in, and defiled their faces. There the two helpless victims were finally released from torture by death. It's not a pretty story, is it? Can you wonder that I feel it a privilege to prosecute these men, not only in the name of the United States of America, but in the name of all decent civilized peoples?

Before final argument, I walked back to the crematory and looked in once

again. There were the ovens, burned and charred. There, too, the gas chambers where 247,000 innocent victims were killed. There was no need to plan what to say when I returned to the courtroom; Hipp and Frohnappfel were the men who kept those ovens burning year after year. Hipp and Frohnappfel were the beasts who fed the flames. The courtroom was packed with a tense crowd of former concentration camp inmates. They listened to the verdict in silence . . . "to be hanged by the neck until dead." A pleased, grateful expression grew slowly on each face. One could also feel the silent approval of thousands of victims who weren't present in the courtroom, who would never be present in any courtroom again.

The two murderers were led toward the door of the court by smart, military guards. The old, white-haired mother of Frohnappfel, who had sat immobile through each session of the court, pathetically put out her hand toward her son as he approached. He strode by without so much as a glance. The case of *The United States v. Hipp et al* was closed.

Lawyers would be interested in the position of the defense here at Dachau. Legal principles are not "thrown completely to the winds" as one so often hears. The courts follow established principles as often as the situation permits. Leading questions are not allowed. The main exception to Anglo-American jurisprudence is the admission into evidence of hearsay testimony. Were this not so, very few murderers would ever be convicted. The chief witnesses against them in Germany are all dead. Thus, no matter if we do hate the Nazis, and are determined to prevent their kind from ever rising into power again, defense attorneys at Dachau put up a strong fight. They "represent" their clients in every sense of the word. There is no selling out to the prosecution; no bargain is made behind the scenes to betray the accused. The United States

legal profession can be proud of the fact that its principles are not being violated in any "kangaroo court" procedure here in Germany. The accused are being meted out justice—far more than they would ever have granted to a defeated enemy.

I'm grateful that opportunity is allowing me to see both sides of the picture today in Germany. My contact with former special prisoners of war continues as before. It's been a constant source of amazement to me how the enthusiasm and interest of these men has remained through all the trials which they face in present-day life. Radio Stuttgart has lively, weekly public forums. Children and young people's programs are drawing volumes of fan mail. All this work is guided by a former prisoner from America.

We hope to gain even more cooperation from Military Government authorities in the future. I've been directed by General Clay to report to Berlin in January to confer with him personally on the problem. I sincerely believe if General Clay gives his personal attention to these individuals and groups who earnestly desire a democratic Germany, much good can be accomplished.

A new publishing house, "The Nymphenburger Verlag," has opened its doors in Munich. A new *Der Ruf* is appearing twice monthly. This same house also published the only official version of the Nuremberg Decision. One hundred thousand copies sold in two days. The book went for the ridiculous price of 1.20 RM (12c) because the editors refused to make a profit on a work so important to the future history of Germany. The editors are also former prisoners of war from America.

Recently the democratic organization of a large group of former prisoners met in Munich. Over four thousand men sat, half frozen, in a beer hall, hugging their overcoats about them and cheering speeches made by leading figures in the

Bavarian government. Last week many attended a special school at Schloss Comburg in Schwaebisch Hall. Stuttgart has an active democratic club promoting better government. And so the story goes on. But all is not perfect by any means. Very few American books have appeared in Germany. Modern, democratic literature is unavailable to the German public. The American Zone lies behind an intellectual Chinese wall. There is much to be done.

Europe today is thinking only in terms of economics. Politicians argue fifty sides of every question in the newspapers and over the radio. But the public is not interested. They want to know if the decision to be made will bring them bread. Will coal be available, or must hundreds of thousands freeze to death? Will transportation ever start running again? These basic questions occupied every thought and mind in Europe, winter 1946. I believe most people prefer democracy. They even prefer democracy economically, *but they will accept any power that can bring some economic unity out of chaos*. Here, Russia enters the picture with *unity* as her slogan. "Let us control, and you'll have law and order." So history repeats. The Germans never learn.

Thus, whoever seeks to build a new democratic Europe must solve this economic problem. Until then, far more important than political theory are the gnawing pangs of hunger and the freezing grip of cold. Winter is king, and politics—merely the court jester.

Life isn't too unpleasant here in Bavaria. Deep snow has fallen and the distant mountain peaks sparkle in the sun, forming a picturesque background for the pine forests. Beauty is everywhere in this beauty spot of the world. I've had many humorous experiences which go to make the day happy and the heart light.

On the autobahn last week, I was picked up by a German car and driven to

Munich. My "host" was talkative and told me how he had been imprisoned by the Nazis all during the war on account of his name. He was now a reporter for the *Muenchner Mittag* and looked the part. Of course I asked him his name and the astounding reply was, "I'm the Prince of Bavaria." Since not every hitchhiker is picked up by a prince, the trip assumed rather unusual proportions. We became quite chummy and Constantine told me, "It's rather nice being a reporter. I couldn't have done that before the war; the people wouldn't have let me. It's not too much fun being a prince." To the question where he lived—"Oh, still at the castle (Nymphenburg). But it's so cold and drafty there, and so darn hard to heat those barn-like rooms. Then I get so sick and tired of gold, gold everywhere. I'd prefer a flat in Munich, if I could get one. But since I can't, I guess I've just got to stay on at the old castle."

When we parted in Munich, Constantine said, "Now, be sure and drop up to the castle, any time. You can find my number in the phone book easily. Just start at the beginning with Aaron's Delicatessen, then Abert's Fish Market, then Adelbert, Prince of Bavaria. That's my father. You can always get the number without any trouble."

But now hitchhiking is no longer a necessity for me. Yesterday I bought a marvelous 1932 German Ford. It has four wheels, a motor, and apparently all the necessities for comfortable, if not luxurious travel. I've named it "Fierce Albert" in the somewhat forlorn hope of infusing strength into its tired body. So if troubles hang heavy on your hands in the months to come, think of the mechanical-minded Kunzig changing a tire on the autobahn or reaching frantically in the motor to see if the spark plugs are still there (if that's where they're supposed to be).

Best wishes, cheerio—or should I be completely British and say, "Bing bing!"

## PICTURES OF THE ISSUE

We hope you like our cover picture and our Chapterette introduction picture. Aside from the excellent photography exhibited in the cover picture it is gratifying to us to know that THE SIGNET is of such interest to our undergraduates and affords them the pleasure shown by Brothers Dick McCabe, Bill Donly and Bill Cooper (left to right) of Gamma Triton Chapter, pictured on our cover.

We think our Chapterette introduction picture of Delta Triton's "Scrappy" is unique. From Brother Karpick, editor of the Purdue campus newspaper, we learned that "Scrappy" is a navy dog who came to the campus from the Naval Air Station on Lake Washington, just outside of Seattle, Washington where his master, Bob Barnard, was stationed with a Navy Air Service Unit.

When Bob Barnard returned to the campus to finish work on a M.E. degree, "Scrappy" took up residence in the Delta Triton chapter house and proceeded to become a campus figure. It wasn't until Bill Wright bought a 1925 Model T that "Scrappy" began to attract attention. Until that time he was a typical navy dog—content to eat and sleep, with a special emphasis on that indoor sport favored by all sailors, namely, "hitting the sack."

When the Ford arrived on the scene "Scrappy" assumed that it was there for his amusement, and felt that it should never go anyplace without him. Without the benefit of any outside help, he figured that there was more glamour in a perch atop the hood and moved to this more prominent location.

Originally "Scrappy" rode along quietly without paying any attention to passing vehicles or pedestrians. Finally he began to realize that he was an attraction and an oddity, so he began his incessant barking so that everyone would notice that he was something new in the dog line.

# *Chapterettes*



### **GAMMA TRITON** **University of South Carolina**

*By VASSAR ESLINGER*

Gamma Triton starts the spring semester with 26 active brothers and 14 pledges and a new set of chapter officers. Brother Bill Cooper took over the gavel as president and Guy (P!!) Pitts as vice-president. Bill Donly is the new secretary and Henry Gaddis was retained as treasurer. Tommy Smeltzer and Hugh Winters were elected inductor and sentinel, respectively. All are excellent and conscientious men and the chapter should wax well under their guidance.

The chapter suffered a great loss at the end of the semester as Brother Jimmie Tomlinson had to announce his resignation as chapter adviser. Unfortunately for us, business takes him to Washington. We were fortunate in having him for a chapter adviser. He was well liked by all and instigated many of the successful ventures of the chapter.

We lost an excellent brother at the end of the past semester in Conrad Richardson, who has transferred to the University of Tennessee Dental School.

Gamma Triton still leads in the interfraternity bowling league and the basket-

ball team is warming up for the tournament with promises of being in at the finish.

Plans for Founders' Day highlight a closed banquet and formal dance.

The local pastime has gradually changed from poker to the more soothing and ethical art of music with Brothers Smeltzer, Donly, Cooper, and Pledge Gus Watson standing out on the close harmony and quartet departments and Brother Broadway doing the solos.

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### **DELTA TRITON** **Purdue University**

*By RALPH R. SEAVERS*

After a week of vacation the Delta Triton Chapter of Phi Sigs are getting back into the groove for another semester of trials and tribulations. There seems to be some complaints about Saturday classes and night labs that were picked up on the new class schedules.

One of the older Phi Sigs welcomed back to the house this semester was Brother John Underwood. Brother Underwood is the cousin of Brother Joe Whistler.

The Phi Mus are choosing a "Dream



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Man" for the Purdue Campus. The Delta Triton Chapter has elected handsome social chairman Jack Halladay to represent the Phi Sigs. With Jack's charm and good looks the Phi Sigs are certain to capture the "Dream Man" title.

Meanwhile, Captain Fred McLimore of the pledges does his best to make it tough for the actives who give out their pins. However, Brother Ed Karpick was successful in having his pin out for two weeks before it was discovered by the pledges, and then only by a diabolical twist of fortune. Brother Karpick's secret was disclosed in the campus newspaper, of which he is editor. It seems that Brother Karpick should have proof read that particular edition. Rather than take the showers, however, Brother Karpick passed the traditional cigars.

Another who passed cigars recently was brother "Slim" Beasley. Brother Beasley has since left for Pennsylvania.

The number of pledges has been increased by the pledging of Dick Huffman, Chet Cox, Bill Boden, Virgil Ruble, and Ed Schiffer.

Hardly had the wedding bells for Brother Frank Setear ceased to ring when they were struck again to announce the marriage of Brother Jack Miner.

Brothers Richard Morgan and Tom George were the lucky Phi Sigs who received graduation diplomas at the end of last term.

Improvements of the chapter house continue. At present the carpenters are working on a bum room.

Another BMOC was made recently when Brother Ed Karpick was initiated into the Gimlets, the fraternity man's fraternity.

Highlight of recent social activities was the interfraternity ball. A dinner was held at the chapter house for the couples who were attending the dance. Frankie Carle and his orchestra furnished the music for the occasion.

Brothers Roy Swingle and Bill Wright are pledgemasters of the new pledge class.

Chapter officers elected in the last election were: president, Claus Nacke; vice-president, Jim Comella; secretary, Jack Halladay; treasurer, Chuck Foster; inductor, Dave Boliker; and sentinel, Dave Shook.

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### ETA

#### University of Maryland

By GILES L. CHAPIN

Eighteen war veterans from all corners of the globe returned to Maryland University last September and proceeded with the resurrection of Eta Chapter, pooling all resources—mental, physical and monetary, and with the combined efforts of the local Alpha Zeta Deltas and Kappa Deltas, Traveling Secretaries Walt Ackerman and Bill Gott, Regional Director W. Barrett Fuchs and Washington Alumni Chief J. Phil Schaeffer, the results were extremely gratifying. After four months of hard work we had eighteen new members and a new house. During the rushing season we had several pleasant functions at AZD and KD sorority houses. Formal pledging and a giant steak banquet had occurred in Lambda's great Washington town house. Several months later the initiation was held at Brother Brownell's home and the celebration was aptly capped with the announcement that at last a house had been found and purchased and once more we will have a home of our own.

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### NU

#### Lehigh University

By PHIL RIDINGER

With final exams looming menacingly overhead to obscure the dazzling whiteness of these winter days, the Phi Sigs of L. U. have taken the opportunity to relax a moment and recount Nu's achievements during the post-holiday season.

Most significant to national, as well as Nu Chapter, was the indoctrination and initiation of nine pledges, increasing our active strength to twenty-six brothers. The fellows who received the Phi Sig jeweled badge are Jerry O'Brien, Phil Ridinger, Walt Chesnut, Howie Hattal, Dick Stoeltzing, Bob Wesley, Jim Wilson, Jack Young, and Bill Ditmar.

Nu's scholastic exploits have been nobly illustrated by the election of two of our senior brothers to national honorary fraternities. Brother Dave Whitten, who graduates this spring, was selected by Pi Tau Sigma on the basis of his engineering ability, scholarship, personality, and probable future success in the field of mechanical engineering. Shortly afterwards, Brother Bill Henry was tagged by Phi Beta Kappa for his maintenance of exceptional scholarship, and the devotion of untiring service to his Alma Mater. Bill will retire from the editorship of the Brown & White, campus newspaper, upon graduation in March. The active chapter will regret the loss of fellowship and cooperation of two such exemplary brothers.

Our brothers also have put forth a magnificent effort into the athletic program, both varsity and interfraternity. Jimmy Wilson, our stalwart Brown & White grappler, has won three consecutive wrestling bouts out of as many tries. Nu's straight shooting bowling team, 1946 champions of the interfraternity league, composed of such king-pins as Jack Glenn, Bob Mount, Bob Wesley, Dick Billiar, and Joe O'Brien, are well on the way to retaining the crown for another year. Brothers Bob Wallick and Tom Johnston are sure bets to capture varsity berths on the Lehigh lacrosse team. Sam Snyder, scrappy net-artist, again sparks the basketball team on the intramural court. Anticipating a rough, stimulating workout in spring drills on the Lehigh gridiron are rugged varsity

linemen, Bill Ditmar and Howie Hattal.

A member of Lehigh's crack eighty-piece band is saxophonist Dick Stoeltzing. Brothers Stoeltzing and Walt Chesnut are the harmony masters of the campus glee club.

Brother Bob "Hawg-tied" Schmidt plans to journey to Hamilton, Bermuda during the semester break to visit his betrothed, Miss Prudence Stephens. Bob and Prue are planning to cement relations sometime this summer.

Outstanding among the activities planned for the spring semester is a gala house party week-end in mid-May which will be highlighted by a formal dance, athletic contests, and dinner parties. After the redecoration of the exterior of our recently acquired home, Nu Chapter will play the host to the families and friends of its members on a specially-prepared Parent's Day. The program has been designed to better acquaint the folks at home with our chapter house, attainments, and immediate objectives. The variety of pleasurable events planned points to a huge success and the inauguration of an annual affair of this kind.

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### KAPPA

#### Pennsylvania State College

With the start of the spring semester on February 10th, Kappa is looking forward to an even bigger and more eventful term than that completed on February 1. Since the last issue, Kappa has elected new officers. Joseph King was elected president; Bill Bache, vice-president; John Pfahl, secretary; Jim Bard, treasurer; Don Hamme, sentinel; and Jack McBrearty, inductor. Brother Harry Mumma was re-elected house manager and has been doing a fine job of getting the house into tip-top shape. We now have 43 active brothers and 8 pledges living in the house, 2 town brothers, and 4 married brothers. Our most re-



cent pledges include Ernie Beachley, Jack Boltz and Frank Cairns.

Brother Jim Duff, '47, married Miss Mary Martha Gosser of Brentwood, Pa. on December 21 and is now residing in an apartment in town. Brothers Pfahl, Sawyer, Mazzitelli, and Brown became engaged over the holidays—a real hey-day for Kappa.

Brother Bill Keefauver has recently been tapped by Eta Kappa Nu, electrical engineering honorary and Phi Mu Alpha, music honorary. Keef is also president of the Penn State concert band. Brothers George Washko and Frank Neish also play in this band. Violinist Fred Mazzitelli represents us ably in the concert orchestra. Brother Harry Mumma has pledged Scabbard and Blade, the advanced R.O.T.C. honorary society, and George Bender and Ernie Nagy were pledged by the social science honorary, Pi Gamma Mu.

Brother Pat Harrington is currently holding the 135 lb. position on the varsity wrestling team. Phil Sawyer, president of the student chapter of the A. S. C. E., has recently been elected president of the national civil engineering honorary, Chi Epsilon. He represented Penn State at a civil engineering convention in New York City in January.

We are happy to welcome back Brothers George Bender and Gerry Roth, who have returned to college this semester. Kappa has again begun to publish the Kappa News Letter, suspended during the war, and the first edition received very favorable response from the alumni.

Kappa's social calendar included a very successful dance on Saturday, the eighteenth of January. Music was furnished by the Campus Owls and our adviser, Dr. J. Ben Hill, and Mrs. Hill and Dr. and Mrs. William U. Snyder graciously chaperoned the affair. Dr. Snyder, Rho Deuteron '36, is a new assistant professor of psychology at the college.

We are looking forward to House Party Week-end when Tony Pasteur will play for the Junior Prom and Kappa will hold a dance at the chapter house.

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## TAU

### Dartmouth College

By ROBERT C. HUNT, JR.

Since the last issue of the SIGNET, the activities of Tau Chapter have been quite limited from necessity, since the college has been closed a majority of the time for Christmas vacation and the winter examination period. After a dearth of snow in the months preceeding the Christmas vacation we returned to find the house blanketed under 22 inches, and skiing became the order of the day. This pastime was quickly swamped under what seems almost continual rain, accompanied by freezing weather.

Putting away the hickory runners, the brothers of the house have turned their attention to other indoor activities which the weatherman will permit. Leading the field, of course, is the annual Dartmouth Winter Carnival which takes place this year on the 14th, 15th, and 16th of February. As this column is being written, Winter Carnival is not yet an event of the past, so I cannot fill this space with what a success it was. Without fear of bringing a jinx down on our heads, however, I think I can safely say that Tau Chapter will be the scene of one of the best house parties of recent years in these parts due mainly to the planning and exertions of Brothers Virglen, Allen, Hollerith, Hill and Fairbanks. Well substantiated rumors currently circulating divulge that the Phi Sig house will be the site of a buffet supper, a cocktail party and a dance in the course of the week-end, as well as numerous other extra-curricular activities. For the outdoor minded there will be skiing and skating while for the athletic enthusiasts there are two hockey games, a bas-



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ketball game and a swimming meet. On the lighter entertainment side there will be a play, a Glee Club concert and Outdoor Evening where the Queen of the Snows will be chosen. All in all, every moment of the three days should be well occupied with more than enough diversified activities to go around.

Turning from the Carnival to lesser things (relatively, that is) Phi Sig donned its sports togs long enough to rack up some impressive campus honors in the past few weeks. In hockey Brothers Johnson, Winstanley, Hersey, von Rohr, Torpey, Jerman, Wild, Haffenreffer, Ready, Regan, Allen and Daukas combined to field a championship calibre team. Suffering no defeats until the last game of the season Phi Sig came out as runners up for the college championship, losing a heartbreaker, 1-0 melee. In basketball the story was much the same. Again boasting no losses, the Phi Sig team of Brothers Landon, Abrahamsen, Hunt, Cole Carlson, Englehorn, Holley, Jerman and Blackburn squared off against the future college champions only to have their championship hopes squelched in an overtime period by the score of 34-32.

On the non-athletic side of the ledger the only field of play was the college bridge tournament. Phi Sig entered the competition with two teams, the first being composed of Brothers Ballard, Regan, Hunt and Welch while the second combined the talents of Brothers Houze, McDowell, Holley and Hall. When the final results were tabulated Phi Sigs'

first team had garnered second place and the second team fifth place in a field of 56 contestants.

After many months of feverish preparation the first post-war issue of the Tau Tattler has been published and is now in the process of being distributed to all alumni of the chapter. This six page issue entails more work than is evident to the eye and to Brother Hill must go a mountain of credit for his tremendous effort and donation of time in order that the Tattler might become a reality. It is planned that the Tattler be published again this spring when we will have accumulated a new editor and enough news-worthy items to fill another issue.

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### KAPPA DEUTERON Georgia Tech

The Biltmore Hotel of Atlanta was the scene of much hustle and bustle on the night of January 21, as old Phi Sigs gathered to celebrate the reactivation of Phi Sigma Kappa on the campus of Georgia Tech. Smiles of satisfaction appeared on every face as the small group discussed plans for the future.

We were greatly honored by the presence of our national president, Herbert L. Brown, who was guest speaker for the evening. The necessity of developing tangible benefits by the fraternity was his theme and his remarks were inspiring to everyone. Another distinguished guest at this meeting was Dean of Men at Georgia Tech, George Griffin.

Led by "Hank" Powell, chapter adviser, Bill Painter, alumni chapter president, and Frank Forrester, who has graciously consented to act as chapter treasurer, the entire alumni chapter have stood behind the struggling Phi Sigs in their efforts to reorganize an active chapter. The major problem facing us now is that of securing a house and the alumni have pledged to support us in every possible way.

At the present time, Kappa Deuteron has four active brothers and five pledges. The pledges are E. H. Gross, D. S. Peters, W. R. Jackson, W. E. Geisler, and Claude Hiatt. One of our brothers, Bill Hensley, transfers to Kappa Deuteron from Xi Deuteron at the University of Tennessee. J. A. Cox is our secretary.

With the combined leadership of our president, Stan Henry, and vice-president, Harold Dorsen, Kappa Deuteron is steadily regaining its former status.

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### CHI

**Williams College**

By IRVING V. CLARKE

Yours truly is in the unfortunate position of being caught with Mr. Schoening's please-send-an-article-to-the-SIGNET letter in his possession while all the "Men of Chi" are enjoying a between-semester respite on the sands of Florida or the ski slopes of New Hampshire. Consequently, no particular degree of comprehensiveness is claimed for this report.

It is February as I write (rapidly—to beat the SIGNET's deadline). Williams-town is encrusted with the usual winter ice and snow and is enveloped in the nation-wide cold wave. The temperamental furnace and big living room fireplace at 79 South Street have been battling valiantly to keep out the cold. But the progress of the fraternal entity of Phi Chapter has been inversely proportional—in agreeableness—to that of the weather.

Boasting is apparently not uncommon among chapters, so Chi will summarize its Chapterette article (which might otherwise become so long and involved as to crowd other chapters right out of the March issue) with the following boasts:

(1) In the single semester since the reopening of fraternities at Williams, the roll of active members has become the longest in history and will probably reach the maximum allowed quota of 53 by the time this is published.

(2) We have achieved a greater representation of Phi Sigma Kappa in campus activities than any actives can recall for several years. A couple of DSC's ought to go to "Doc" Weeth for the shining and be-ribboned medal he brought back from the Madison Square Garden relays early in February; to Dave Traylor upon his elections to a multitude of offices including the presidency of Cap 'n' Bells; and to Hank Lukas for successfully filling the heavyweight spot on the wrestling team—at least until he started sporting a sling on his left arm. No doubt other achievements of both greater and lesser importance are unconsciously omitted—but there will be other issues of the SIGNET.

(3) Eager veterans and a number of precocious "youngsters" have combined to do something rather startling to Chi's scholastic status—namely, to raise it considerably. The evidence, in simple ABC's is not all in yet, but it is clear that the scholarship function of fraternity life is expanding.

(4) Probably the most conspicuous social activity in prospect is the initiation and Winter Homecoming week-end of February 21-23. It is hoped and expected that many alumni will be on hand.

(5) The chapter alumni association has done an excellent job in providing for maintenance repairs and improvements to the house—for which we are deeply appreciative.

The prospect of a healthy chapter has already been assured, and Chi's postwar future looks even brighter. We are proud of our chapter and hope that all of our alumni and "one time members" will drop in for a visit whenever possible—the front door is never locked.

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### MU DEUTERON

**University of Montana**

By EIVIN BRUDIE

Mu Deuteron was honored by the visit of Earl Schoening, National Secretary of

Phi Sigma Kappa, on February 3 and 4. Brother Schoening and Mrs. Schoening were enroute to the Region VI Conclave in Corvallis, Oregon. On the first evening of Mr. Schoening's visit, an informal meeting was held at which Mr. Schoening gave an account of the status of various chapters throughout the country. He was informed, in turn, of the progress of Mu Deuteron.

Chapter officers elected in the latter part of December were, Toby Wagner, president; James Deranleau, vice-president; Charles McDaniel, secretary; Clayton Ogle, sentinel; and Louis Gagermeier, inductor. Sherman Cook remains housemanager.

Pledges initiated into the active chapter February 16 bring the number of actives close to fifty, to make the present Mu Deuteron Chapter one of the strongest in history.

Members of Zeta Triton, the Phi Sigma chapter at Montana State College, were guests at a smoker held after the Bobcat-Grizzly basketball game on January 31. The party succeeded in strengthening the friendly relations of the two chapters.

Two Phi Sigs are on the Sentinel (yearbook) staff. Robert Van Luchene is copy editor and Len O'Neill is layout editor. The publication will appear late in the spring quarter.

"Coffee Dan's," Mu Deuteron's main social function of the year, was held on March 1. "Coffee Dan's," is a formal ball in the traditional style of the San Francisco restaurant-night club. Len O'Neill was "Coffee Dan" this year.

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### PI DEUTERON

#### Ohio State University

By RICHARD CONRAD

Two more pledges were initiated into Pi Deuteron Chapter recently. Those who were initiated were William A. Condon and Keith I. Miller. Condon is a junior in the College of Commerce while

Miller is a sophomore. The initiation team was composed of Kenneth E. Diehl, president of the chapter; Harry C. Lyle, vice-president; William W. Galbreath, treasurer; Joe Shaw, secretary, substituting for Daniel M. Garst; Robert D. Hammond, inductor; and Richard C. Conrad, sentinel. The ceremonies were held in the club rooms located at 1896 N. High Street in Columbus.

Following the ceremonies a banquet was held at the Beechwald Restaurant honoring the two new members of the active chapter. Those of the alumni who were present were: Doug Peters, Byron Scott, Rush Robinson, "Beany" Drake, Francis Rudy, Tom Potts, Eddie Buck and Carl Mack.

Pi Deuteron recently added a graduate student to its roll by the name of Philip Biel, who came here in October from Chi Chapter at Williams College. Phil is enrolled here in the graduate school of chemistry.

Pi Deuteron now has a total of 2 graduates, 8 actives and 14 pledges. The new pledge class, of which we are very proud, consists of Gene Diehl, Warren Diehl, John Gabriel, Jim Gabriel, Gordon Bricker, Carl Hayes, Bud Sinkhorn, Kenny Snow, Jerry Frost, Jim Willis, Bill Haynes, Gene Altenburger, Ted Taggast, and Jim Riggs.

Another transfer student was added to the roll in October. He is Joe Shaw from Lambda Chapter at George Washington University. Joe has been a big help to us in settling our problems and meeting our difficulties. He is a sophomore in the College of Engineering.

W. W. Galbreath, Jr., who has been handling our treasurer's job, is now relinquishing his position to William A. Condon, who was elected to succeed Galbreath. Bill is a graduate of Alpha Deuteron at the University of Illinois.

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## BETA Union College

By ORAZIO OTTAVIANO

Beta Chapter is building up a strong group at Union College though they are without a house. The present spring term will see twelve men initiated, bringing the total number of active members on campus to twenty-five. The old-timers, that is pre-war Phi Sigs, and post-war Phi Sigs are busy working out plans for acquiring a house in the near future. Traveling Secretary Bill Gott has paid us two visits and given us valuable help and stimulated our hopes.

At present the Phi Sigs living on campus are quartered together in the North College Dorm. The house is active in the intramural basketball league and socially we are well represented at proms and house parties. Two of our married brothers, President Bob Winne and Max Sclee, bring their charming wives to the weekly dinner party in Union's Hale

House which precedes the regular business meeting.

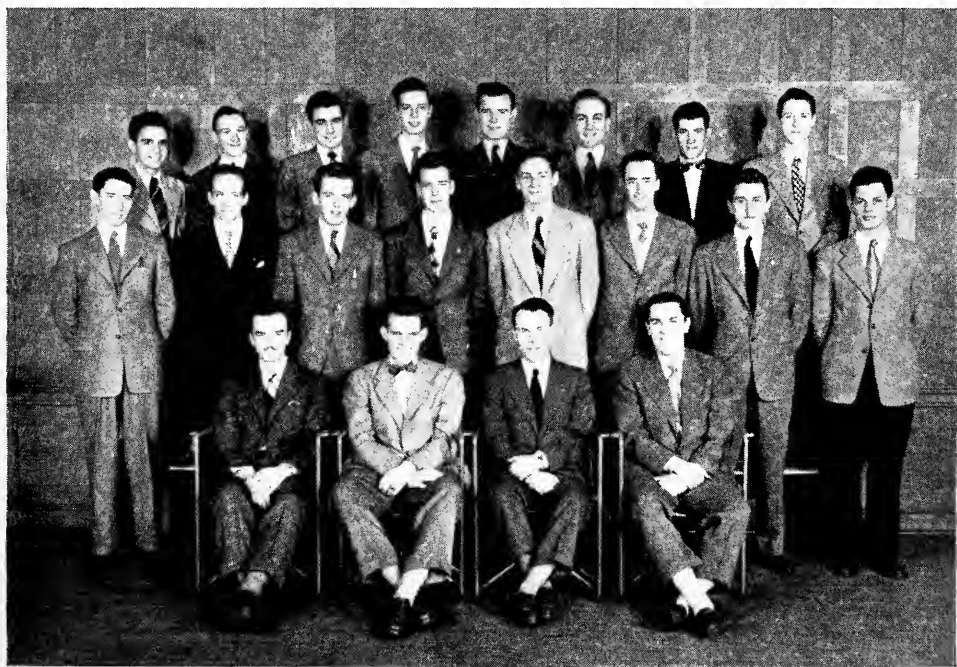
Plans are underway to insure successful attendance at the coming prom weekend, Winter Wonderland, with Alvino Rey to be held Feb. 21-23. We are planning to hold a dance in Dewey Hall on campus the night after the prom.

Beta Chapter hopes to have a house soon so that it can enter more actively into social affairs and give to its brothers the benefits of fraternity life.

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## CHI DEUTERON Washington State College

Phi Sigma Kappa at W.S.C. is now on top—but not to the peak; we are going to continue to climb. "A Phi Sig" or "the Phi Sigs" is on the lips of everyone on this campus, especially when talk gets around to school spirit, social events, or just a "swell gang of fellows." Big reason—though there are many—is



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the way in which the whole house participated in W.S.C.'s annual Winter Week, January 6-11, and the accomplishments attained. Highlights of the event were the election of Brother Dean Rumburg as Winter King from a group of two dozen Greek and Independent candidates, winning first place with McCroskey Hall (Womens' Residence Hall) in concession competition at the "Gelundasprung," and the dinner for the presidents of all sororities and womens' halls. The general cooperative spirit of everyone is to be lauded, particular thanks going to Bert Lehn, Stan Thompson, and Norm Majer. Winter Week at W.S.C. is a big event, and the good name the Phi Sigs made for themselves this year will long be talked about and remembered.

And when we get through talking about Winter Week but continue to reminisce, we can't forget about our Christmas Party and dance. Decorations caught the eyes of all who attended, and informality and friendliness were the keynotes of fun for all who came to our party. Other social events in the not-so-long ago have included Dr. Alfred B. Butler as dinner guest and speaker, a fireside with the men of West House (an Independent Unit) and their dates as special guests, and an informal dinner get-together with Associated Student Body President Dick Downing and his wife. The following Phi Sigs and their wives were dinner guests on various Sundays: Pat Haley, Tom Jackson, Joe Cochran, Bill Good, Dean Smith, Mac Barr, and Woody Shemwell.

Living in the past is pleasant but short-lived, for we soon think of the present — final exam week (oh me!) — and the future; then we cast a glance at the fullness of our calendar. Classes for the second semester started February 11, and from then to March 15, our social events, summarized, amount to something like this: a semi-formal at the chapter house

and one with McCroskey Hall at the Country Club, two firesides, three after-dinner dances, the pledge class entertaining pledges of other fraternities with dinner and fun, an exchange dinner with a sorority, two exchange dinners with fraternities, a friendship dinner, two special dinner guests and speakers, a dinner for housemothers of all womens' groups, a turn-about day for the pledges, "neophyte week" and formal initiation. That undoubtedly will keep us busy until March 15, and then, of course, comes the big "shin-dig" of the year, — Founders' Day Formal Dinner and Dance. If present plans can be completed without any frustration, this event will be the highlight of all social events here this year.

But enough of our social events for now; we will be back with more next issue. First of all, let us reassure you that we are also participating in other fields of activities. For example, Dale Martin has distinguished himself by being chosen for and joining Sigma Delta Chi, national journalistic fraternity for men; Leo Jensen and Bert Lehn have done likewise with Alpha Zeta, agricultural honorary. During the Christmas holidays, Clyde Morrell represented the local chapter of Phi Mu Alpha at their National Convention in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Our rushing program is not being overlooked, either. Thursday of each week is especially set aside as guest night, and it has provided a splendid opportunity for meeting many students and for choosing new pledges. Those who have just recently been pledged are Tom Collins, Dale Bly, Harold Herman, Tom Bradley and Bob Sheehy.

Basketball still holds the spotlight here on the campus in the way of intramural sports. Though we got off to a slow start, we have won four of our last five games and also defeated a neighboring town (Endicott) team. We have hopes

of hoisting our flag to the top in the coming weeks when new leagues are formed, and tentative plans also call for one or two games with near-by Legion or town teams. Intramural track will start late in April, and several men are already training for it. Before the war, Phi Sigma Kappa was THE "track house" of W.S.C., and the fellows are desirous of gaining back the honor.

In varsity swimming, Brother Pearson has earned a place for himself on the team by taking first in a meet with the University of Montana and also garnering places in two other meets this year. Bob Kittleson will soon be wielding his trusty racquet for the varsity tennis team, and Jack Daniel is due to take on from where he left off last spring as the No. 1 golfer on the campus.

The chapter, as a whole, out-did all other groups on the campus in a recent yell contest, and three of the fellows received additional distinction. The yells turned in by Dean Rumburg, Vern Jaquish, and Vern Pritchard were selected by a committee as three of the eight best yells. Those of the latter two won special prizes.

Heading our delegation to Region VI Conclave at Corvallis, Oregon, February 7-8-9, was President Vern Jaquish, Housemanager Clyde Morrell, Norrie Pearson, Stan Thompson, and Bob Kittleson. Also attending was Mr. U. G. Whiffen, chapter adviser. Although the chapter is well along the post-war road of recovery, and though we feel that we are "back in the groove" but not "in a rut," the delegation hopes to bring back new ideas to strengthen our chapter. We believe that they will also have something to offer the other chapters by relating how we have solved many of our problems and how we have been able to attain numerous accomplishments.

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## LAMBDA

George Washington University

By LEW HOFFACKER

Lambda entered the fall term spectacularly with an extensive rush program. Special highlights were a stag smoker, a barbecue, a chicken dinner, the annual Farmer's Day Ball, and a cocktail party.



Phi Sig Tom Moncure adjusting the effigy of Rube McCray, Wm. and Mary coach, during G. W. U. homecoming. In the front yard can be seen simulated graves of the Wm. and Mary team members.

The program worked up to the proper climax and Phi Sig was wealthier by 38 new pledges. The chapter cornered the market on field secretaries during rush week—both Brother Ackerman and Bill Gott honored Lambda with their presence. Brother Herbert L. Brown also visited 1765 Mass. N. W. in October.

Registration at G. W. U. is well over 10,000 students this year, but Phi Sig remains outstanding in campus activities. Every few weeks Lambda honors one of the 12 sororities at a tea dance. Phi Sig was the first fraternity to so honor Kappa Alpha Theta, newest sorority on the campus.

Clark Davison was admitted to Phi Beta Kappa and keeps his new key duly blitzed. Ray Glasscock remains a big wheel on the campus paper. Eric Nordholm is the organizer and commodore of the sailing club. Dave Cassidy, Dick Adams and Lew Hoffacker were recently initiated into Delta Phi Epsilon, national professional foreign service fraternity. Phi Sigs continue to be the Culbertsons in the campus bridge world.

December initiation of officers resulted in: Bud Abbott, president; Stan Williams, vice-president; Bob McCoskey, secretary; Dick Adams, treasurer; Elton Murphey, inductor; and Lew Hoffacker, sentinel.

Eta, Epsilon Triton, and Lambda Chapters joined forces for a super Phi Sig Christmas formal the evening of December 17 in the Burgundy Room of the Wardman Park Hotel. All in attendance agreed that the affair should be repeated. Christmas decorations at the house helped give everybody the holiday spirit — the New Year's Eve party helped in that respect, too.

Everybody at Lambda is talking about the new chapter house recently purchased on New Hampshire Avenue. The alumni have been incredible in this project. They have diligently combed over appropriate properties and have pro-

duced a house which has no equal on the campus. Pern Henninger, chapter adviser, along with numerous other members of the Washington Club of Phi Sigma Kappa, deserves undying gratitude for his participation in this undertaking. The chapter anticipates entering the new house in April.

Hell Week was a very productive three days. During that period the pledges repaired furniture and cleaned the house in readiness for rush week. The better part of Sunday, February 2, was consumed by an impressive initiation of 27 new brothers, bringing the membership up to approximately 70. Initiates were: Jack Mason (prize pledge), Tom Moncure, Harry Seybert, Al Burkert, Bob Olmert, Walt Cravens, Al Holt, Chuck Lilien, Bob Houghton, Bill Collins, Gene Leonard, Bill Bushmaier, Bob Pittman, John Beck, Claiborne Leigh, Ray Howar, Pete Cordero, Ed Faison, Ed Perkins, Dave Lum, Fred Bunke, Bill Beresford, George Hook, Dean Schlup, Duane Stewart, Wilton Hughes, and Bob Pittman.

The brotherhood contains quality, quantity, and an esprit which has not been experienced for years. Lambda is optimistic as she views the past successful semester and looks forward to an even more profitable one.



The Lambda football team, not in front of the chapter house, but in the playing field adjacent to the White House.



**BETA TRITON****Knox College**

Beta Triton of Phi Sigma Kappa formally initiated twenty-two pledges, Sunday night, February 2, at the Hotel Custer. Following the induction ceremonies, the new actives were welcomed at a banquet in the Custer ballroom. Among the guests at this dinner were Dr. Adamec, chapter adviser, and two alumni, Ray Funk, '38, and Dick Kensal, '35. The new brothers are: Loren Alpers, Jack Bonavia, Melvin Castell, Robert Chapman, Allen Diershaw, Edward Horn, Theron Hughes, Ben Jones, Don Kotite, Fred Melsheimer, Lane Miller, Richard Miller, Ted Parker, Ken Paul, Ralph Plantenga, James Porter, Robert Reed, Robert Roman, John Rothgeb, Ben Sargent, Fred Tress, and Don Taylor.

Saturday, January 18, was a big day for the Tritonites. Four new pledges were taken into the chapter Saturday morning. They were Donald Ash, Cornell, Wis.; Ben Baker, Chicago, Ill.; Robert Goebel, Chicago, Ill.; and William Wollman, Erie, Penn. The annual winter formal was held that night to round out a gala day. The formal was held in the Hotel Custer ballroom with the music provided by Binge and Polite's orchestra. Chapter Adviser Dr. Adamec and Mrs. Adamec and Prof. and Mrs. Putnam acted as chaperones.

The election of officers was held at the beginning of the quarter which began in January. The officers now presiding are Robert Bartz, president; William Weber, vice-president; Jack Carlson, secretary; James Moser, treasurer; Richard Janke, inductor; and Frederick Eaton, sentinel.

Four Phi Sigs are on the starting Knox "B" basketball team. They are Jack Bonavia, Ralph Plantenga, Frederick Eaton, and Richard Miller. The quintet's record is six wins in nine starts against conference competition. Richard Miller is Knox's high scorer for an in-

dividual game. He poured 25 points through the hoop in a game against Grinnell College of Iowa. In a game with Augustana, Plantenga suffered a broken collar bone when he collided with an opposing player. He will probably be lost for the remainder of the season.

A publicity department, consisting of Robert Strauss, Loren Alpers, John Rothgeb, Don Kotite, and Ken Paul, has been organized. Among their many duties will be the publication of a quarterly newspaper called "The Hellespont," and the distribution of a monthly news letter for the benefit of the alums.

Brother Lou Schrecengost was recently appointed business manager of the "Siwasher", student magazine publication, by the Board of Publications of Knox College. Lou is a senior from Earlville, Illinois and a former president of Beta Triton. Congratulations, Lou, on your appointment!

Two of the brothers have taken the first big step toward the preacher. Brother Strauss' engagement to Miss Lea Brown of Chicago was recently announced and Brother Weber recently put a ring on "the" finger of Miss Barbara Cooper of Arlington Heights, Ill. The brothers finally have the answer to the question, "Do you get the Phi Sig pin back after the ring is given?"—"NO".

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**XI****St. Lawrence University**

The St. Lawrence ski team, aided by Brothers Claude Wiese and Jack Wilkins, won the Lake Placid annual Snow Bird Ski Meet, and in so doing became the first team outside of New England to capture the meet in the 26 years it has been held.

Jack hails from Lake Placid, N.Y. and is a senior here at St. Lawrence. He is New York State intercollegiate downhill and slalom champion and New York State downhill king. Prior to the war

Jack served as president of Xi Chapter and his happy-go-lucky ways and pleasing personality have made him the toast of all the Phi Sigs on campus.



JACK WILKINS

Claude, who placed second in the cross-country race and second in the cross-country jump combination, was very impressive in his first appearance in a race in the United States. A native of Oslo, Norway, Brother Wiese spent most of his time during the war as a member of the Norwegian Underground. He is one of the best-liked men in the chapter and is in charge of our laundry service, which always seems to be going out, but never returns. Several brothers suggested that it might be going to Oslo, but Claude smilingly denies it.

Plans are now being made for the annual Phi Sig Bowery Brawl which will take place in April. Brother Don Johnson, social chairman, predicts "a good time for all" at this, our 19th Bowery Brawl.

Thanks to the efforts of Paul Hansel and Don Johnson, our recreation room in the cellar has been reconverted and enlarged, and a bar is in the process of being built.

"Smiling" Frank Stehli was elected vice-president of Xi Chapter to replace Brother Dick Spooner who was married December 26 to Carol Kirkpatrick, a graduate of Cortland Normal School, of Floral Park N. Y.

Jack Wilkins received a mark of 100% in his History and Government comprehensive examinations and thereby became the first student in the history of St. Lawrence University to attain such a mark.

Bill Rescorl was elected president of Debate Club. Roger Pihl was chosen head of Formal Debate, and Ed Noziglia treasurer of Debate Club.

Bill Way, Larry Benedict, Hank Hulbert, Jim Strang and Bob Adams took part in the student presentation of "The Pirates of Penzance." Much of the credit for the success of this opera is due to the efforts of these Phi Sigs.

Jim McAloon was chosen to represent Phi Sigma Kappa on the veterans' committee here at St. Lawrence University.



CLAUDE WIESE

Dick Meyer was initiated into the bond of Phi Sigma Kappa on the 20th of January.

Larry Dona, Gil Dwyer, Roger Pihl, and Ed Noziglia represented the Phi

Sigs in a quiz contest held by station KSLU. These men gave a splendid account of themselves and defeated all comers to take the campus championship and an album of records that went with it.

The Phi Sig Snow Ball, winter house party, was a smashing success thanks to the efforts of Don Johnson, Andy Doty, Glenn Salzburg and Don Blanchard.

Bob Griffith and Bill Rescorl have been very active of late as members of Interfraternity Council in helping to plan and set up the new fraternity on campus.

The Xi Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa has just reason for its pride in its basketball team this year. The squad has compiled an enviable record thus far, dropping only one game to rival fraternities on the Hill. However, teams composed of veterans and graduates have defeated the Phi Sigs in three other encounters, making the final count six wins and four losses. Two other games not recorded found the quintet defeating a team representing the Agricultural School here at Canton. Played on the aggie court, these games served as practice for both groups.

The Phi Sig array is a well-knit unit of fast-breaking speedsters who prefer a wide open game at a terrific pace. Two fine forwards in Pledges Davis and Eudene are the back-bone of the squad. It is the fast break of these two that piles up the game-winning points. The records bear out the fact that the four losses came on the nights when this high scoring combination failed to function effectively. Coach Glenn Salzburg leads the aggregation, which is composed of Glenn Beardsley, Jordan "Flood" Wier, Bill Davis, Sid Eudene, Andy Doty, Don Blanchard, Don Danielson and Hal Wilder.

On a few occasions the team has been chosen to play other outstanding ones in the preliminary games which pre-

cede the regular college contests. For these games, as well as any other regularly-scheduled event, the house turns out en masse, avid supporters of their brothers.



Xi Chapter's St. Lawrence Winter Carnival ice statue. It was the largest statue on campus, weighing a ton.

Other Phi Sigs have won positions on the school team. Gil Dwyer, "Doc" Free and Al Meltzer have done excellent work on the Junior Varsity this year, and show a great deal of promise for the future.

With the season half over, it is hoped that the fine showing of the Phi Sigs may continue. Much respect and admiration is being gained by the fellows for the house, and notice being made of the hard-fighting men of Xi Chapter.

Newton Millham, '31, is president of the Metropolitan New York Area Alumni Association of St. Lawrence and Jim Lewis, '46, is secretary-treasurer of that group.

Thanks to the following class chairmen for their efforts in the present financial drive: B. Gilday, '05, F. Hitch-

cock, '08, L. McLaughlin, '10, R. Howard, '11, B. Wallace, '15, G. Morgan, '16, C. Abernathy, '19, L. Farley, '21, B. McGregor, '25, D. L. Bugg, '26, T. Siekmann, '27, E. Blankman, '29, G. Bates, '30, N. Millhan, '31, C. Eugene, '34, E. Laughlamd, '36, M. Dobbs, '37, J. Bellows, '39, G. Brown, '40, E. Fajen, '42, B. Wagner, '43, D. Spooner, '44, Walt Woods, '46.

Brothers Ward Chase of Potsdam and Emerson Laughland of Sacket's Harbor have been over to visit us recently.

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### **RHO DEUTERON**

**Gettysburg College**

By SHARP PAXSON

The officers of Rho Deuteron for the middle term, elected in December, include Roy Musselman as president, Newt Zimmerman as vice-president, Joe Shuster, secretary, Max Follmer continuing as treasurer, Howard Hippensteel as inductor, and Jack Keller, sentinel.

Plans are under way for a fine Founders' Day Banquet in March. The occasion will be the fiftieth anniversary of The Druids, the local fraternity which became Phi Sigma Kappa here back in 1925.

Program for the March 15th affair has been announced by Bob Nemeschy, chairman of the Alumni Committee. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon there will be a Chapter Invisible Memorial Service for Rho Deuteron Gold Star Brothers at the "Chapel of the Abiding Presence", Gettysburg Lutheran Seminary. This will be followed by a softball game between the Alumni Ancestors and the Active All-Stars. The actives will try to redeem themselves for the defeat they suffered last year. At 5 P.M. there will be an alumni meeting in the chapter dining room to hear a report on the mortgage drive and elect members to the Alumni Council. The banquet is scheduled for 6 P.M. in the Hotel Gettysburg Dining Room.

Toastmaster for the banquet will be Dr. Kenneth Smoke, chapter adviser. Dr. Stewart W. Herman, Sr., national chaplain, will give the invocation. Gettysburg College's President, Henry W. A. Hanson will extend a campus welcome. Rev. E. S. Frey, of Lemoyne, Pa., will be the banquet speaker. Among honored guests will be Herbert L. Brown, national president, Frederick Griswold, Jr., regional director, and Dean Wilber E. Tilberg of the college.

The Mortgage Drive continues, with a representative from each class contacting his classmates. The goal remains: to burn the mortgage on Founders' Day.

Members of the pledge class who qualify for membership will be inducted into the brotherhood on Tuesday evening, March 11th.

The Founders' Day Week-end for Phi Sigma Kappa coincides with the college Interfraternity Week-end. On Friday evening there will be a banquet for pledges of all campus fraternities at the Hotel Gettysburg. This will be followed by Fraternity Skit Night in Eddie Plank Gymnasium, each house producing a six minute skit in competition. Various conferences on fraternity affairs will be held over the week-end.

Les Hicks has captained the Rho Deuteron quintet in the intramural basketball competition, and the house should end up above midpoint in the standings.

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### **EPSILON TRITON**

**The American University**

By WILLIAM A. AIKIN

When elections were held in December the following officers resulted: Lee Cozan, president, Bob Malone, vice-president, Dean Carter, secretary, Bob Jennings, treasurer, Bob Treisler, sentinel, and Fred Sharrah, inductor.

Tex Griffin is the lone representative of Epsilon Triton in the winter sports

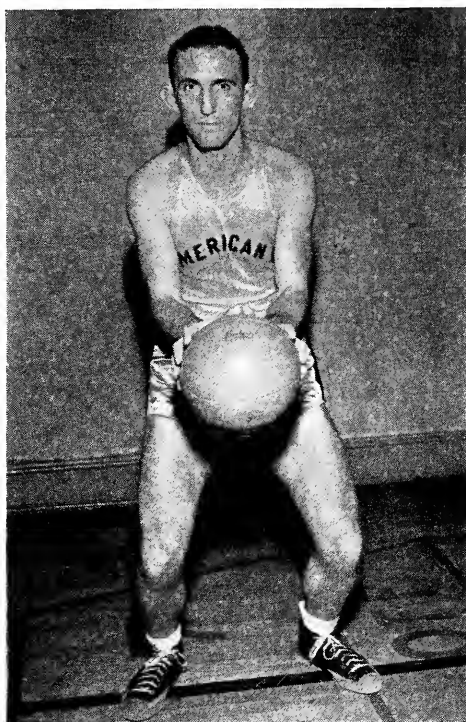
field. He has been playing a very good guard position on the American University basketball team; better known as the "Eagles." The Epsilon Triton basketball team entered in the Intramural Basketball League isn't doing so well . . . Let me think now just where *do* we stand?

Mike Katen's chest is swelling mightily these days. It seems that there is a Mike, junior on the way. At least it is Mike's contention that the addition to the family will be a boy, and who are we to differ with him? May it be a boy Mike! There are a few of our men who are planning the marital step in the near future. . . Pledge Carl Patterson has been inquiring about the processes in securing a campus G. I. apartment. Could it be possible that Pledge Dick Cornwell is planning the step as well? Whenever one sees Dick there also is seen a certain young lady talking confidently with him . . . And those sudden bursts of laughter . . . It could be a joke.

Johnny Beadle did it! As indicated in the last issue, Johnny and Betty Patterson were to be married in December . . . They were and they are . . . married that is. Johnny Harrison is fully recovered and has returned to school this semester. His wife, Mike, was also quite seriously ill following Johnny's sickness, but she, too, is quite well again. Mike is in charge of student affairs on the campus; working with the Dean of the College.

The "Wives and Sweethearts Club" recently organized has been functioning quite smoothly . . . The girls are planning some assistance to the boys in getting the "house" into shape. Those in regular attendance have been: Joan Mills, Nan Katen, Virginia Butterfield, Marcella Aikin, Dorothy Malone, Bobbie Treisler (with young Sandy), Shirley Robinson and Helen Soupouras. There are plans in formulation for enlarging the membership of the "Club" by getting more of the sweethearts interested.

Four new pledges were added to those who were initiated on Saturday, March 15 . . . Jack Pleasant, McKinley Luther, Al Gross and Fred Heitzinger are the additions . . . The other pledges who



Billy Joe "Tex" Griffin, a native of Sherman, Texas. He served in the Navy during the war with 26 months aboard the USS Suwannee in the Pacific. While aboard the Suwannee Tex played basketball under A U's Coach Cassell. This association was largely responsible for his decision to enter The American University.

Before entering the service in May, 1943, Tex played three years of basketball and two years of football with Southmayd High, Texas. He was captain of the basketball team in 1941. Tex is 24, height, 6' 1", weight, 195 pounds.

became members are Pat Fitzgibbons, Dick Cornwell, Ben Respass, Clarence Jarboe, Carl Patterson, Arthur Kamn, and Jim Strong. Initiation was combined with our Founders' Day program. A banquet was held on the campus following the initiation. We all heartily welcome the new members.

All members are scanning the new

registrants for possible pledge material. There are many likely prospects among them.

Epsilon Triton Chapter is looking forward to the Carnation Ball which will be held jointly with Lambda Chapter of George Washington University and Eta Chapter of the University of Maryland. It will be the first joint Ball since the beginning of the war. Our association with these two chapters has been most happy. The success of a joint Christmas party at the Wardman Park Hotel was another result of this association.

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### ZETA TRITON Montana State College

Zeta Triton started the New Year with new officers elected being Walt Narkevic, president; Joe Murray, vice-president; Butch Milne, secretary; Johnny Rousseau, treasurer; Vic Smith, sentinel; Wolf Howard, inductor.

Narkevic is an outstanding man on the Bobcat Hoopstors. Rosseau, a grad student in Pre Med and also our capable house manager, along with Smith, are two of the Big Guns on the Hill.

At the end of the winter quarter, just a few days before Christmas, Lorin LaFever put his best foot forward and SNAP—he now wears a ball and chain! Lorin and the Mrs., after becoming thoroughly acquainted with the housing situation in general, finally set up house-keeping in a trailer house located at the campus auto court.

Congrats also to Joe Murray who hung his pin on the girl of his dreams, Betty. Those weekly trips to Missoula are expensive Joe. Better take the vows and bring her to M.S.C. All the boys would appreciate her presence and also yours on the week-end.

The boys are putting a streak of fat in their lean bacon lately. Reason: Mrs. Essex, the new cook. And I do mean cook!

New adviser in the ranks is W. G. (Bud) Lowe. We express our appreciation to past adviser Don Nash who has capably advised us since our founding. Mr. Lowe is attending the Regional Conclave with Joe Murray.

January 19 saw the formal initiation of five of our pledge group. Congratulations Brothers Cruttenden, Richter, Kortum, Frank and Webster.

Alpha Chi Sigma, chemistry honorary, has added another Phi Sig, Ed Parmelee, to its membership. Nice going Ed.

The bowling team is going strong again this year. The boys are holding their spot in the top bracket. The chapter owes their bowling superiority to Jim Crawford, John Cornish, Bob Baurson, Carroll Walsh, and Benny Laurenson.

All the boys look forward to the exchange dinners with other Greek houses. The last one was January 16 and there were a lot of pretty girls and nice fellows present. Thursday, February 13, we again entertained another group from various fraternities and sororities at dinner.

John Webster and Walt Frank are the distinguished intramural debaters. Neither of the boys as yet has lost a debate. Keep up the good work fellows.

On January 31 our chapter was the guest of Mu Deuteron in Missoula. The object—a Beer Bust. Need I say more?

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### OMEGA DEUTERON University of Southern California By STERLING MADDING

The spring term of '47 finds the chapter at the University of Southern California busy with plans for building a new house this summer. Long a cherished hope for Phi Sigs in this locality it is now becoming a reality and by the next publication of the SIGNET we hope to be able to send news as to the beginning of its construction.

Here at Omega Deuteron things have



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taken a rapid turn toward the better with the return of the majority of our brothers from the service. The first of the fall semester welcomed back such members, to mention a few, as Jack Trout, who in pre-war days was one of the fastest 100-yard dash men in the country, Tubbie Porter, a good man to have on any football team, and Clifford Lyddon, who a short time ago was handed the president's gavel of this chapter.

Pledging last semester was highly successful and the conclusion of rushing found twenty outstanding men wearing the Phi Sig pledge emblem. Three of the pledge class were members of the freshman championship football team and will bear watching in the coming years. They are: Glen Henry, Don Wallace, and Gean Beck. Bob Topping, pledge president, turned in a fine showing in that capacity, as did Don Goetz, his assistant. The pledges are Paul Bimmerman, Gwin Henry, Don Wallace, Gean Beck, Dick Thomas, Bob Thomason, Bob Kimball, Dave Molina, Bob Topping, Don Goetz, Allen Campbell, Peter Gaga, David Comstock, Niles Cunningham, Edward White, Bill Santos, Ed Wormwald, Paul Kemp.

Phi Sigs were well represented in campus politics and activities by such men as Connie Waldquist, who was president of the Trojan Knights, leading men's honorary at Southern Calif., and a member of the Blue Key and senior class council. Bill Niehart wielded the gavel for the Ball and Chain, was a member of the Blue Key, and was senior football manager. Other members of the Trojan Knights were Sam Camarelli, Tom Cosgrove, and Ray Carpenter, while other Phi Sigs in Blue Key were Ewel Atchley and Martin Maxwell.

The social calendar of the last semester was composed of many events but was highlighted by a dance held at the chapter house given by the pledges for the active chapter. The house was very suc-

cessfully decorated in beachcomber style and members and their dates wore clothing appropriate to the theme.

As mentioned in the first of the article, construction of our new house is hoped to be soon under way and we wish to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the alumni in this vicinity for their support in the initial plans of the house.

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### ALPHA DEUTERON University of Illinois

The Alpha Deuteron Chapter has been busily engaged in final exams, a week's vacation, and registration during the recent weeks; consequently, activities have been limited. The election of officers was held, with the result that these men are now administering the chapter: Ed Strand, president; Bill Lyddon, vice-president; Cy Deitch, treasurer; Gene Barta, secretary; Paul Brothers, inductor; and Carroll Nelson, sentinel.

Joe Buscemi and Tom Stewart have told some interesting stories concerning their part in the Rose Bowl victory of the Illini. Brother Frank Bauman, Illini tackle, caused considerable comment when he decided to give up the California trip for an exchange of vows with his pin-girl of some years.

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### FOUR RHO DEUTERONITES AT PENN STATE

Rho Deuteron Chapter is at present very well represented at Penn State, the home territory of Kappa Chapter. Brother Al Grove, Rho Deuteron '35, is a member of the Zoology Department, Brother John Kelso, Rho Deuteron '44, is doing research for the armed forces in the Physics Department, Brother Bill Soltenberger, Rho Deuteron '43, is a special graduate student in chemistry, and Brother Bender, Rho Deuteron '45, transferred to Penn State after leaving the army air corps to get his bachelor's.



# Chapter Invisible

## STEWART E. WHITE

In February, 1946 the War Department reported that Major Stewart E. White, Phi Deuteron '34, was killed on Leyte in June, 1945 during a flight from Palawan to Leyte. Brother White had previously been reported as missing in action since June, 1945.

He was called to active duty as a Reserve Officer in February, 1941 as a first lieutenant and was promoted first to a captain and then to a major while on duty in the United States.

While in the United States he was stationed with the 201st Infantry at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, then at Fort Benning, Georgia, Camp Sutton, North Carolina, Camp Croft, South Carolina, back to Fort Benning, where he graduated from advanced class for field officers, and then at Key Field, Mississippi, where he graduated from Ground Liaison School in February, 1945. Major White was then transferred to overseas duty and assigned to headquarters of the 8th Army as Ground Liaison Officer at Leyte in February, 1945. In May, 1945 he was stationed with the 13th Air Force as Ground Liaison Officer at Palawan in the Philippines, at which position he was serving at the time of his death.

Prior to being called to active military service he was Branch Manager of Commercial Credit Corporation at Dayton, Ohio.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Franklyn Heath White, of Georgetown, Kentucky and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Price White, of Versailles, Kentucky.

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## F. LESLIE SULLIVAN

Dr. F. Leslie Sullivan, Theta '18, well-known physician and surgeon, died re-

cently at his home, 116 Catherine Street, Scotia, New York. He had been ill with a heart ailment since December.

The Scotia fire department respirator was used in an attempt to revive Dr. Sullivan, two physicians and the firemen working in vain for an hour and a half.

Brother Sullivan was born in Middlegrove, Saratoga County, June 28, 1896. He was graduated from Albany Medical College in 1924 and served his internship at Metropolitan Hospital, New York City. He began his practice in Scotia in 1925.

At the time of his death, Dr. Sullivan was speaker of the Medical Society of the State of New York and a member of the state advisory council to assist the joint hospital board of the New York State Postwar Public Works Planning Commission.

He served as president of the Schenectady County Medical society in 1939. In that same year, he was awarded the top rank of surgery, Fellowship in the American College of Surgeons.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma Josephine Sullivan; two daughters; Mrs. Emma Josephine Abare, Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Jean Creighton, a student at Wheelock College, Boston; and a son, F. Leslie Sullivan, Jr., who lives at the Catherine Street address.

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## WILLIAM A. TYDEMAN

Brother William A. Tydeman, Gamma '03, died in St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, on January 15, 1947 after undergoing an operation two weeks before that date.

A native of Pittsburgh, he graduated from Cornell University where he played varsity baseball and football and was a member of the Cornell Clubs of New York and Lehigh Valley.

Brother Tydeman was long active in Masonic affairs. He was a member and past master of Easton Lodge 52, F. and A. M., and a district deputy; past officer of Easton Chapter 173, Royal Arch Masons; past officer of Pomp Council 20, R. and S. M. M.; past commander of Hugh de Payens Commandery 19, Knights Templar, and Easton Forest 35, Tall Cedars of Lebanon. He was also first lieutenant commander of Lehigh Consistory, 33rd Degree Masons, and an honorary member of Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

He is survived by his wife and a son, William A. Tydeman, Jr.

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### HARRY S. THOMPSON

Brother Harry S. Thompson, Omega '34, passed away suddenly on December 31, 1946, leaving his widow, Harriett W. Thompson.

While a student at the University of California, Harry took very deep interest in fraternity activities, being president of Omega Chapter in both 1933 and 1934.

Following his graduation he was affiliated with the United States Rubber Company until the outbreak of World War II. During the war years he was connected with Northrop Aircraft, Inc. during the period of development and production of the famous "Black Widow" night fighter plane. At the termination of the war he became manager of the Parts Department of the H & R Truck and Equipment Company of Los Angeles.

Harry's father, Clarence L. Thompson, is a member of Alpha Chapter, Class of 1904.

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### H. E. CORY

Dr. Herbert Ellsworth Cory, Upsilon '06, one of the nation's outstanding educators and authors, and a member of the University of Washington faculty, has passed away.

Although ailing, Dr. Cory continued his classes and lectures in philosophy at the University of Washington the past several years.

Brother Cory was 63 years old last October 8. He was born in Providence, R. I., a son of Benjamin H. and Ella Francis Cory. He won his bachelor's degree at Brown's University in 1906 and his doctor of philosophy in 1910 at Harvard.

From 1910 to 1918 he was assistant professor of English at the University of California, following which he served on the War Labor Policy Board in Washington, D. C. He continued studies at Johns Hopkins University after that, and since 1923 has been a professor of liberal arts at the University of Washington.

Brother Cory was almost as much known for his home as for his place as an educator. He believed that "too many people live these days in houses," and he proceeded to make his home one filled with warmth and friendly hospitality, where his family might mingle with their friends.

In 1922 Dr. Cory married Ethel Duncan Morton. She died 10 years later. Later he married Mary Ellen Austin, and the couple adopted and reared five children.

Mrs. Cory and the five children, Michael, Brigid, Mary Sharon, Anthony and James, all survive Dr. Cory.

Dr. Cory was elected to the Gallery of Living Catholic Authors; was a member of the board of directors of the House of Good Shepherds, Seattle; a member of the American Association of University Professors; a member of the Research Society of the University of Washington, the American Philosophers' Society, the John Henry Newman Honorary Society, the Holy Names Society, St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Knights of Columbus, the Athenian Club, the University of Washington Faculty Club, and Pi Gamma Mu.

Among his best known works were

the following books: "The Intellectuals and the Wage Earners," "The Emancipation of a Free Thinker," and "Essays in Exposition." He was a contributor to many periodicals. Another book, "The Significance of Beauty and Nature and Art," is now being published by the Bruce Publishing Company of Milwaukee, Wis.

### THREE PHI SIGS ORGANIZE INTER-CAMPUS MAGAZINE

Campus, the magazine covering southland colleges, is a brainchild of USC students, Ray Carpenter, Bill Driggs, and Bill Ryan, all Omega Deuteron. It now provides an inter exchange of pictures, news and gossip for 13 college campuses of Southern California.

Soon Campus will include all California colleges below Santa Barbara and will increase its size to over 100 pages. Its national plans include 10 regional magazines that will be distributed in the various sections of the country. With the completion of "Region 2" plans, Campus will make its appearance on all the college campuses of California. The features of "Region 2" magazine will be the same as those of the Southland issue, but will have a special pictorial, news and gossip section pertaining to the Northern California schools.

The January issue features, among other top flight articles, "snow-time" parties and skiing. A girl from the University of Southern California will be "Queen of the Month" for this issue. A new feature added in the January number is a 7 color photographic coverage of the "Campus of the Month". All features such as the "King and Queen of the Month" Cover Girl and "Campus of the Month" are rotated between the various colleges covered in Campus.

The birth of the magazine was the result of the past experience of the three



Left to right, Bill Ryan, Ray Carpenter and Bill Driggs.

organizers. Ray Carpenter, a member of the Trojan Knights, is a past editor of Wampus. Ramon Carpon, as his friends know him, has been active on the Trojan campus as well as a frequent writer for several magazines and newspapers.

Bill Driggs, art editor, was layout and art editor for the Wampus prior to his Navy service. In the Navy, Bill did much art work for the navy station papers and service magazines. In addition to his magazine work, Bill has had considerable success as a song writer. He recently sold his "Dreamer's Lullaby" to Universal Pictures. The song was sung by Bill's sisters, The King Sisters, in the Universal movie, "Cuban Pete".

Business Manager, Bill Ryan, was known on the USC campus prior to his NROTC graduation as the Business Manager for the Daily Trojan, for his work as War Chest Chairman and as a promoter of the initial Blood Bank at Southern California. The War Chest Drive won national acclaim in "Time", "The Christian Science Monitor", and other papers as the "outstanding student promotion of the year."

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# Chapter Hymeneal

## LENTZ-JOHNSON

Miss Carol E. Lentz of Woburn, Mass. became the bride of Brother Richard C. Johnson, Tau '45, at a beautiful candle-light ceremony on Friday, the 27th of December, 1946 at the North Congregational Church, Woburn, Mass. A reception was held in the Church Vestry immediately following the ceremony.

Brother Johnson, discharged from the army last spring, is a senior at Dartmouth College and will graduate next June.

The newlyweds took up residence in Hanover following a wedding trip to the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec, Canada.

## HOLSHEIMER-HARVEY

Miss Marion Jean Holsheimer of Scapose, Oregon, became the bride of Brother Robert Ryder Harvey, Theta Deuteron '47, at an impressive candlelight ceremony at 2 P.M. December 22 at the Rose City Presbyterian Church with Rev. Donald W. MacCleur officiating.

Given in marriage by her father, Philip P. Holsheimer, the bride wore a white satin gown with sweetheart neckline and a finger-tip veil held in place by a "Mary Stewart" cap trimmed with seed pearls.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT R. HARVEY



She carried a white prayer book covered with orchids and was attended by the groom's sister, Thalia A. Harvey, as maid of honor. Candle lighters were Velma Larsen and Joyce Fisher, two of the bride's sorority sisters.

William J. Baker, fraternity brother of the groom, served as best man. Ushers were Winston Severson, Jack Hartman, Norman Newman, and Philip Holsheimer, Jr.

The bride and groom will reside in Corvallis, Oregon, where both will attend Oregon State College. Brother Harvey is a senior in forestry.

## MEYER-BRANCH

On Friday, the 27th of December, 1946, Miss Jan Blanchard Meyer of Fairbault, Minnesota was married to Brother William M. Branch, Jr., Tau '46, at the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour, Faribault, Minnesota.

The bride is a member of the senior class at Smith College, Northampton, Mass., while Brother Branch is a senior at Dartmouth College, having returned from three years service in the U. S. Navy last summer.

Following a honeymoon trip to Canada, the bride and groom returned to their respective colleges but will set up housekeeping in Hanover, N. H. next summer where Brother Branch will continue his graduate work.

## PLUMLEY-SCOFIELD

In a very impressive ceremony at the First Presbyterian Church of Stamford, Connecticut, Miss Elizabeth Parker Plumley became the bride of Brother Ralsey B. Scofield, Tau '44, on Wednesday, the 12th of February, 1947.

The bride is a graduate of Skidmore

College, Saratoga Springs, New York and spent three years in the WAVES. Brother Scofield is completing his studies as a senior student at Dartmouth College after having completed three years service in the United States Army Air Corps.

Following the wedding trip the couple will reside in Hanover, N. H. until Brother Scofield graduates this coming June.

### BILL HENRY ELECTED PHI BETA KAPPA

Recently initiated into Phi Beta Kappa, Beta Chapter of Pennsylvania, national honorary scholarship society, was Brother Wilbur (Bill) Henry, Jr., Nu '47, at Lehigh University.

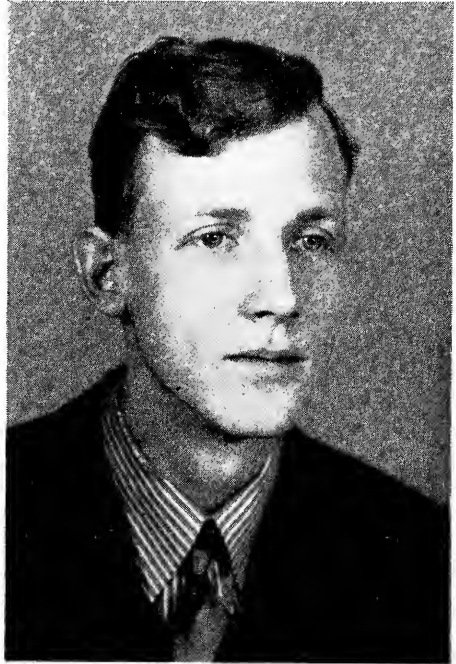
Hailing from Montreal, Canada, and Glen Cove, Long Island, N. Y., Brother Henry entered the College of Arts and Science at Lehigh in the fall of 1940. Nu Chapter was then known on the Lehigh campus for her leadership in campus publications and soon to follow in the footsteps of her renowned members was Bill Henry—initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa in 1941. Brother Henry went out for the news staff of the *Brown & White* and soon worked up to the position of business editor.

Following three years of service in the U. S. Army—overseas in the Pacific theater (under Brother General Flood) Bill returned to Lehigh in the Spring of 1946 to resume his studies in the field of government. In recognition of his work as make-up editor on the *Brown & White*, Brother Henry was initiated into Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalism fraternity. Finally, in the fall of the same year, Bill was elected to the post of Chairman of the Board of Control of the *Brown & White*.

Having captured the Alumni Junior prize for scholarship in the College of Arts and Science, Brother Henry was soon elected into Phi Alpha Theta, na-

tional honorary history fraternity, and later appointed to serve on the faculty as assistant to the professor of political science at Lehigh—an honor rarely received by an undergraduate.

With the reactivation of Nu Chapter at Lehigh last Spring, Bill served as chapter treasurer. Nu Chapter soon real-



WILBUR E. HENRY, JR.

ized its goal of securing a chapter house with the help of local alumni and now the Phi Sig banner proudly flies from its mast at the corner of Center and Market streets in Bethlehem, Pa.

Upon graduation in March, Brother Henry will enter the shipping and export trade in New York City. Only recently Brother "Bill" wrote a thesis on "Ship Brokerage" for the *Industry Report*, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, Washington, D. C.

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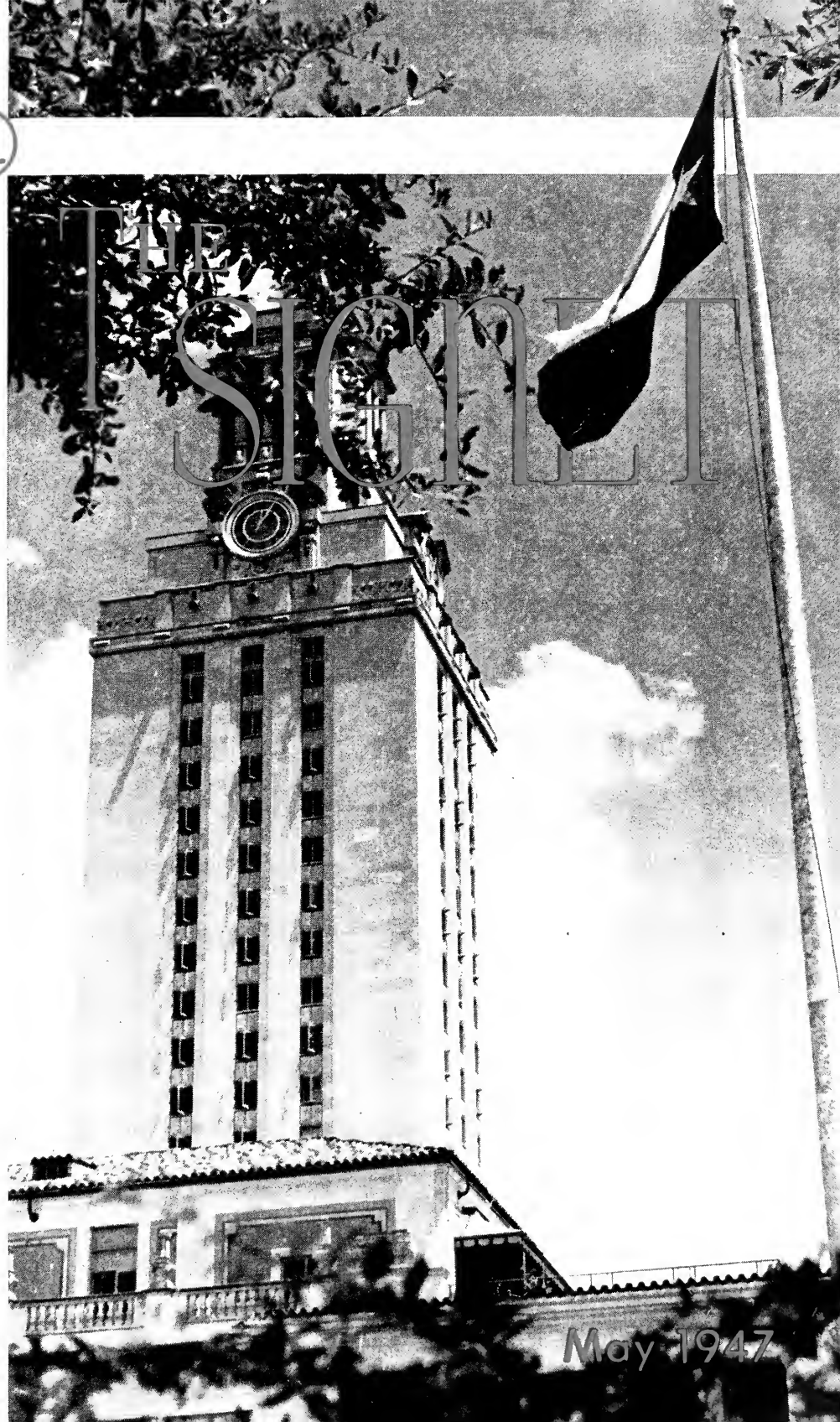
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*The Signet* features a picture of the  
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on the May cover  
in honor of the University of Texas



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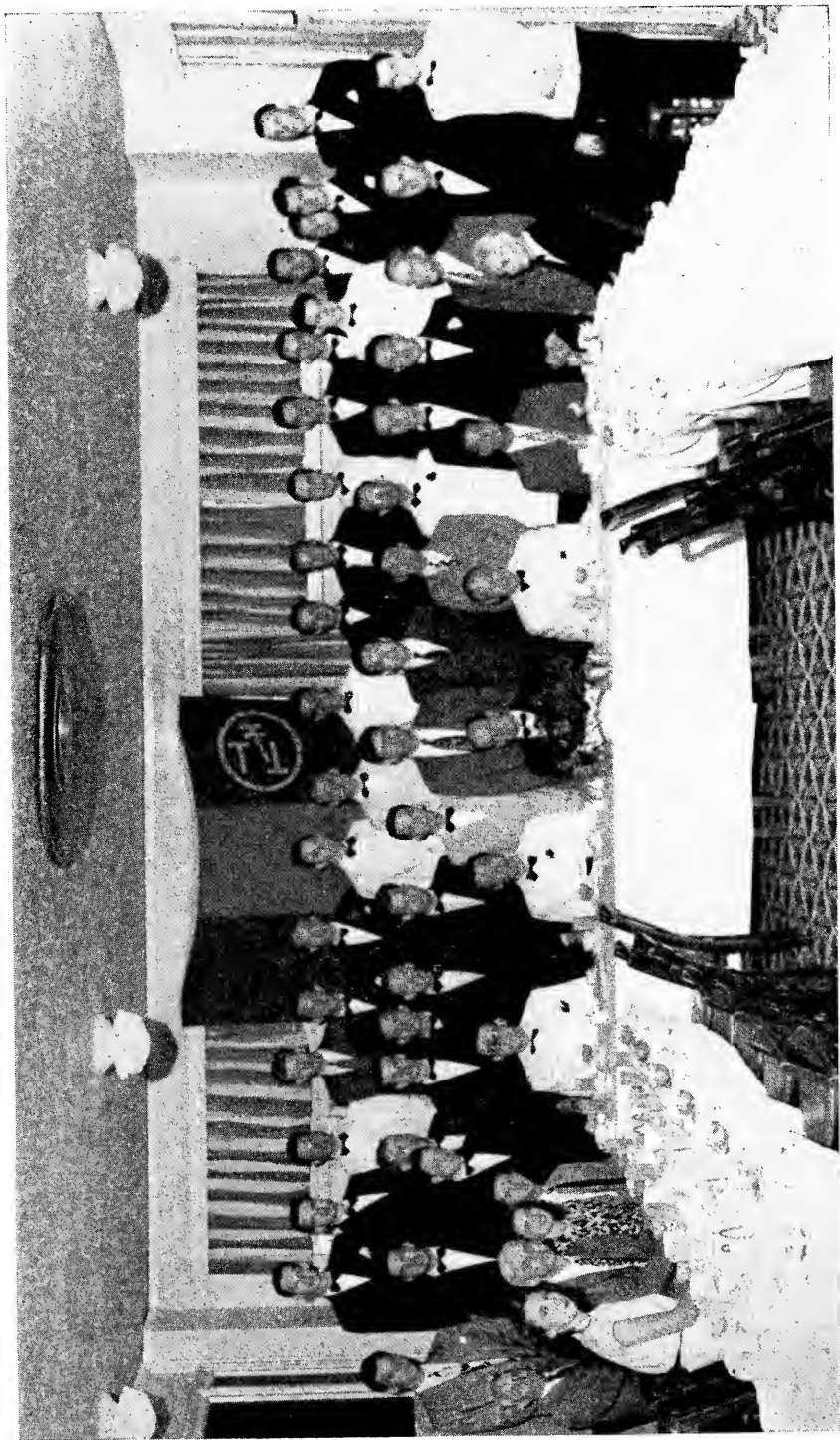
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THETA TRITON INDUCTION BANQUET

## *Phi Sigma Kappa Comes To Texas*

Summer came to the University of Texas this year on May 3. So did Phi Sigma Kappa. With the thermometer outside registering a sultry 91 to 99 degrees, an initiation team from Knox College inducted 23 members of the Kappa Club of the University of Texas into Phi Sigma Kappa as Theta Triton Chapter of the fraternity. Induction ceremonies were held in the Tower Room of the beautiful Texas Union Building.

Although a relatively new organization on the Texas Campus—being first organized in the Fall of 1945—the Kappa Club has already been active in many campus affairs—took second place recently among all campus fraternities in the “Junior” Texas Relays—has many members in honorary organizations of the university.

In the Fall of 1946 the new Theta Triton Chapter—then the Kappa Club—had but nine members. But the aggressiveness and initiative of this small group so impressed both university officials and the interfraternity council that they readily gave assistance to them—helped them organize and put themselves in shape to petition a national fraternity.

Walter F. Ackerman, Phi Sig Field Secretary, first met with the Kappa Club in November, 1946, and, too, was duly impressed with them. In fact, the aggressiveness of the group registered so heavily on Ackerman that he, at the suggestion of university officials, made two subsequent trips to Austin to work with the Kappas, who were already interested in Phi Sigma Kappa. On March 3, at a dinner in the Old Seville Restaurant, it was definitely decided to send a formal petition for membership to the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa. Typical of the initiative of the group is the fact that this



Brother Franklin Lanier Cox, Toastmaster, Theta Triton Induction Banquet.

petition was prepared and went forward the next day. Because of Brother Ackerman's favorable reports, plus those of officials of the university, this petition was quickly acted on—favorably—and May 3 and 4th set as official dates of induction of the new chapter—the first chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa in the state of Texas.

Ceremonies in connection with the induction started on the evening of Friday, May 2, with formal pledging of the 23 active members of the Kappa Club and culminated Sunday evening, May 4, with a banquet at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel. This banquet was not only attended by the newly initiated brothers and five pledges of the new Theta Triton Chapter, but was participated in by the President of the University, Dean of Men, Charles Dunham, Dean “Chuck” Clark, “Swede” Rogerson, Secretary of the University Interfraternity Council—by Miss Evelyn Gertz and Judy Ebeling of the local Panhellenic—by a number of alumni from nearby cities, and by repre-



#### BETA TRITON INDUCTION TEAM

Left to right: Richard Janke, Inductor; Richard Miller, Sentinel; D. R. Collins, Region IV Director; Lewis Schrecengost, President; David Heller, Vice-president; Walter F. Ackerman, Field Secretary; James Moser, Treasurer; and Loren Alpers, Secretary.

sentatives of the Grand Council of Phi Sigma Kappa, as well as the induction team which had performed so valiantly during the two days which had just passed. The induction was in charge of D. R. Collins, Regional Director of Region IV.

Following formal initiation ceremonies, which took practically all of the day and well into the evening Saturday May 3, an informal dinner was held at the Hitching Post—popular near-campus restaurant. Totally exhausted by the heat of the day and the ardors of the ceremony, the new members of Phi Sigma Kappa and those in charge of the induction were ready early to “call it a day” and prepare themselves for the first formal meeting of the new chapter, which was held in the room in which the induction had taken place, at nine o’clock Sunday morning.

At the first meeting of the newly constituted chapter on Sunday, May 4, further explanation of the secret work of the fraternity was given by Brother Collins—Brother Ackerman reviewed in detail chapter administration and the following officials of the new chapter were elected: president, Arthur L. Warren, Jr.; vice-president, Douglas McNair, Jr.; secretary, Norman B. Levin; treasurer, LeRoy Gafford; sentinel, Morris Yarow; inductor, J. Clark Jenkins.

Sunday afternoon, following a barbecue luncheon at the nearby Wagon Wheel, the afternoon was devoted to sightseeing and swimming.

Shortly after six o’clock; members of the fraternity and their guests assembled in the Sun Room of the Stephen F. Austin Hotel for the formal induction dinner. Toastmaster was Professor F. L. Cox, who but the day before had been

initiated into the fraternity. Following a session of picture taking, Brother Cox introduced the following alumni residing in Texas who were present for the occasion: from Dallas, Thomas H. McKee and George E. Hughes, both from Lambda Chapter; from Houston, Art Manson of Omicron and Ed Howell of Alpha Deuteron; from San Antonio, Darwin Benedum of Lambda Deuteron and Wallace Carnahan of Chi. All of these men responded briefly, wished Theta Triton much success, pledged their support and started making plans for organizing alumni groups in their respective cities to assist in rushing and be of any service possible to the first chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa in Texas.

Following these men, Walter F. Ackerman, Field Secretary of the fraternity, was introduced and given a rousing ovation by old and new members alike. Then called upon were the induction team from Beta Triton of Knox College — Lew Schrecengost, Jim Moser, Loren Alpers, Dave Heller, Dick Miller and Richard Janke.

Following a brief response by these men, Brother Cox introduced Judy Ebeling and Evelyn Gertz, who welcomed the new chapter on behalf of the university Panhellenic Council. He then called on "Swede" Rogerson, Secretary of the University Interfraternity Council. Mr. Rogerson paid a great tribute to the new chapter — stated that he had been proud



PHI SIG ALUMNI

Left to right: George E. Hughes, Lambda '22; Thomas H. McKee, Lambda '22; Edward L. Howell, Alpha Deuteron '27; Arthur J. Manson, Jr., Omicron '34; Wallace Carnahan, Chi '38; and Darwin Benedum, Lambda Deuteron '24.





Left to right: Assistant Dean of Student Life "Chuck" Clark, Dean of Men Charles Dunham and Dr. T. S. Painter, President, University of Texas.

to help them in their organization work and that he wanted to announce that they were as of that evening official members of the Interfraternity Council.

Next speaker on the program was Carol McPherson, local representative of L. G. Balfour, whose guidance and assistance has been of inestimable help to the Kappa Club.

Next on the program was Dean "Chuck" Clark of the university. Dean Clark spoke highly of the men comprising the new chapter—stated that he knew many of them personally and had worked with a number of them in honor-

ary fraternities and predicted, because of his intimate knowledge of them, a great future for the new fraternity as an integral part of the social life of the University.

The next to be introduced was Dean of Men Charles Dunham, who also was familiar with most of the men of the new chapter. He welcomed them to the new chapter and volunteered assistance in the many problems having to do with perfecting the newly formed organization. Dean Dunham stated that he was especially delighted to have an old line fraternity like Phi Sigma Kappa on the university campus and felt that the induction of the new chapter was a definite step to the advantage of the University.

Following Dean Dunham's remarks, Toastmaster Cox introduced President T. S. Painter of the University. President Painter had spent the day in Houston—had felt the Induction Banquet of sufficient importance to make a special trip back to Austin in time to change to



Kappa Club entry in the "Junior" Texas Relays sponsored by Alpha Chi Omega sorority to select the male sweetheart of Alpha Chi Omega. Kappa Club placed second.



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# RANCH DANCE and BAR-B-Q

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May ninth  
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formal clothes and be in attendance. President Painter welcomed the new chapter—asked to be of assistance in helping them in the formulation of plans and policies—spoke of the leadership necessary, which he felt was already present in guiding the destinies of Theta Triton. President Painter stated conclusively that he felt the new group would be a definite asset to the University.

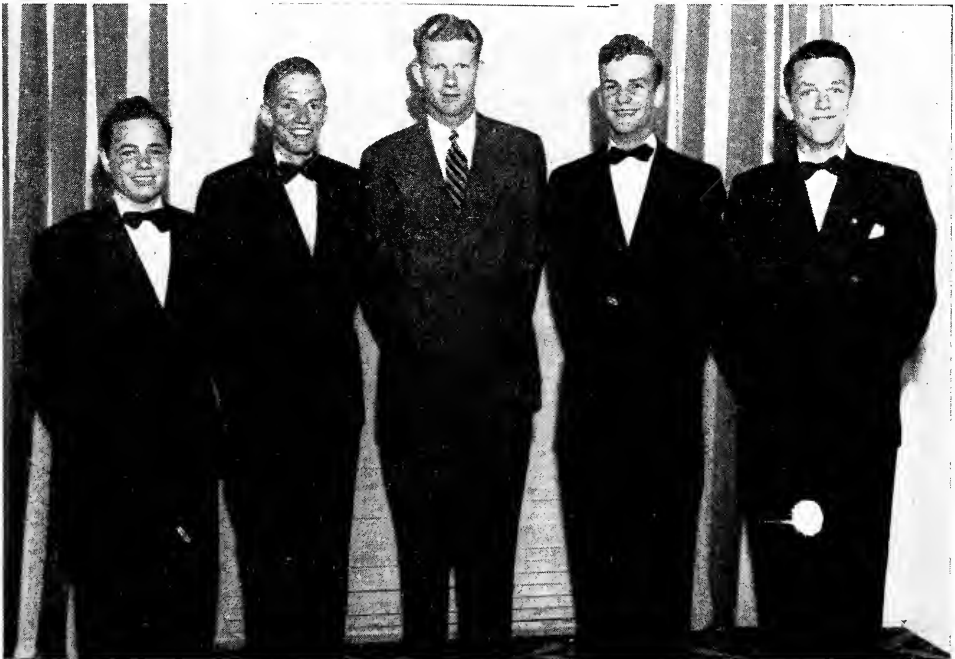
At this point in the banquet proceedings were interrupted by Jim Moser of the induction team, who rose to issue a challenge to Arthur Warren, newly elected president of Theta Triton for the coming year, for a prize to be determined later. Moser made the point that when Beta Triton Chapter assembled a year ago they had fewer members than the newly formed Theta Triton—had initiated some 29 men during the current year and had pledged 38—challenged the new chapter to beat that

record during the coming school year.

The last speaker of the evening was Brother D. R. Collins, Director of Region IV, who commended the induction team for their splendid work—Brother Ackerman for the fine organization of the ceremonies, and who touched briefly on the Cardinal Principles of the fraternity and their significance in the organization of the new chapter. He then read a greeting from National President Herbert L. Brown, which greeting is printed on page of this SIGNET.

Brother Cox closed the banquet with the following meditation and prayer:

"Will all assembled please stand and join hands that we may form a circle.



THETA TRITON PLEDGES

Left to right: Robert Gates, Leron Cochran, Ken Kuykendall, Norwood Smith and Rudy Thiem.

Think for a moment of the different elements which have now joined hands in fellowship—our local chapter, representatives of our national fraternity, our alumni members, representatives of the Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic with whom we will associate and work on the campus, and the President of the University of Texas and members of the administrative staff. This is a symbolic union of those agencies which we most cherish and in this union is represented that goal of social responsibility and scholarship which we seek to attain. Surely, as we thus stand joined hand in hand, there is here manifested that spirit of fellowship and brotherhood that is truly the spirit of America.

And now God be with us as we go hence and help us to keep the faith in word and in deed, so that when we have crossed that distant river and stand on that other shore, the Great Tribunal may find us worthy and bid us to come into the fold. Amen."

Following the banquet the induction team and Brother Collins boarded a midnight plane for Chicago, while Walter Ackerman remained for a short time to help the new chapter on its way.

Typical of the initiative of the new chapter are the plans which were perfected for the first social function—a Ranch Dance and Barbecue held May 9 "Under the Western Skies at Durham's, 6 Miles by Hoss on the Burnet Highway" to which some 200 leaders in the campus life at the University were invited.

All in all, the ceremony was performed without a single hitch. Phi Sigs everywhere can well be proud of their new brothers in the Southwest. They have approached their new responsibility with initiative and vigor that augurs well for the expansion of the fraternity in this part of the country.

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## **BARGER WITH NEW ENGLAND MUTUAL LIFE**

Brother James A. Barger, Delta Deuteron '21, former national vice-president



JAMES A. BARGER

of Phi Sigma Kappa and a life underwriter for the past seventeen years, is now associated with the Detroit agency of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company.

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## **DRAKE INITIATED INTO NEW- MAN CLUB HONORARY SOCIETY**

Edward S. Drake, Pi Deuteron '18, was initiated into the Newman Club Honorary Society and presented with the honorary key in February, 1947. Professor McCann of Ohio State University was likewise honored on the same occasion.

The only other person in Columbus, Ohio to have held this significant honor prior to the nomination of Brother Drake and Professor McCann was the late Dr. Haggerty, for many years Dean of the College of Commerce of Ohio State.

# President Brown's Greeting to Theta Triton Chapter

To Our New Brothers in Theta Triton Chapter:

On this important occasion in the annals of Phi Sigma Kappa, which marks a milestone far more significant than the mere adding of another chapter to our roll, I extend to you a warm welcome to our Brotherhood, which words alone are too inadequate to convey. It is a matter of deep regret to me that distance and the element of time required from my business have combined to make it impossible for me to bring this message to you in person. Hence I must call upon the graciousness of Brother "Spec" Collins to represent me. I would so much prefer to shake the hand of each of you and to look into your face and call you "Brother" for despite the wide disparity of age, each of you is now my brother and I am yours.

For you this marks a new and vitally important phase of your life. Yet it is not a phase measured in months or years, for this association is not transitory but life long. You have identified yourself with a definite type of manhood, which has for its foundation and inspiration the highest ideals to which man, in his quest for the finer and nobler things of life can aspire. From this association such vistas of soul-satisfying experiences and beneficial influences will open that you can scarcely conceive of their scope in the emotion of this moment. By uniting with us in this golden bond you have assumed a definite obligation "to make her fair name brighter than the jewels of her emblems and to wear those emblems above reproach." In accepting you into our brotherhood, we have assumed the obligation of affording you the opportunity to establish warm, loyal, lifelong friendships by promoting true brotherhood; to advance your intellectual attainment by stimulating scholarship; and to bring out the finest qualities of real manhood by developing character. Our obligations are equally mandatory and non-transferable. In the pursuit of these ideals you will reap rewards which will far transcend all the time and effort, and yes, even sacrifice which you may be called upon to make for your fraternity.

This event makes Theta Triton Chapter literally a pioneer for our Brotherhood in the great Southwest. As you grow stronger you will, I know, want to extend the name and fame of Phi Sig to other good institutions and to assist in establishing other chapters in that area. You therefore have a rare opportunity to serve our fraternity in its extensive Expansion program. In this process let no one despair of the distance between you and other chapters, for your national organization is 100% back of you and we are confident the day is not far distant when you will


be assisting in similar gala occasions at near-by colleges just as our brothers from Beta Triton are assisting in bringing you to the full light of Phi Sig brotherhood today.

Whereas yesterday you enjoyed a warm close fraternal association with but a handful of fraternity brothers, today you are a member of a great national fraternity, whose 18,000 members are ready and eager to greet you as brothers. In their behalf I send you God-speed and best wishes for a glorious future, which will see each and everyone of you a better man because you are a Phi Sig and ours a better fraternity for having such a group as an integral part of it.

Let there be such a complete meeting of hearts and minds among us all in the pursuit of our chosen ideals and the achievement of our high aims and purposes that, in truth, you will regard the jeweled emblem you have just received as the highest attainment of your life and that you will honor it more and more as you grow in the knowledge of its true significance.

My brothers, I close with this thought — just as Service must be our primary objective in our fraternal relationship, so do I eagerly anticipate any service that I may be given the opportunity to render to you in the future. You will encounter problems but we of the Grand Chapter will ever be ready to help you solve them, and facing them together with that undaunted courage so well befitting manhood, we will meet any challenge successfully to the end that as long as life shall last, we shall be worthy of the great heritage that Phi Sigma Kappa has bestowed upon us.

Faithfully and fraternally,

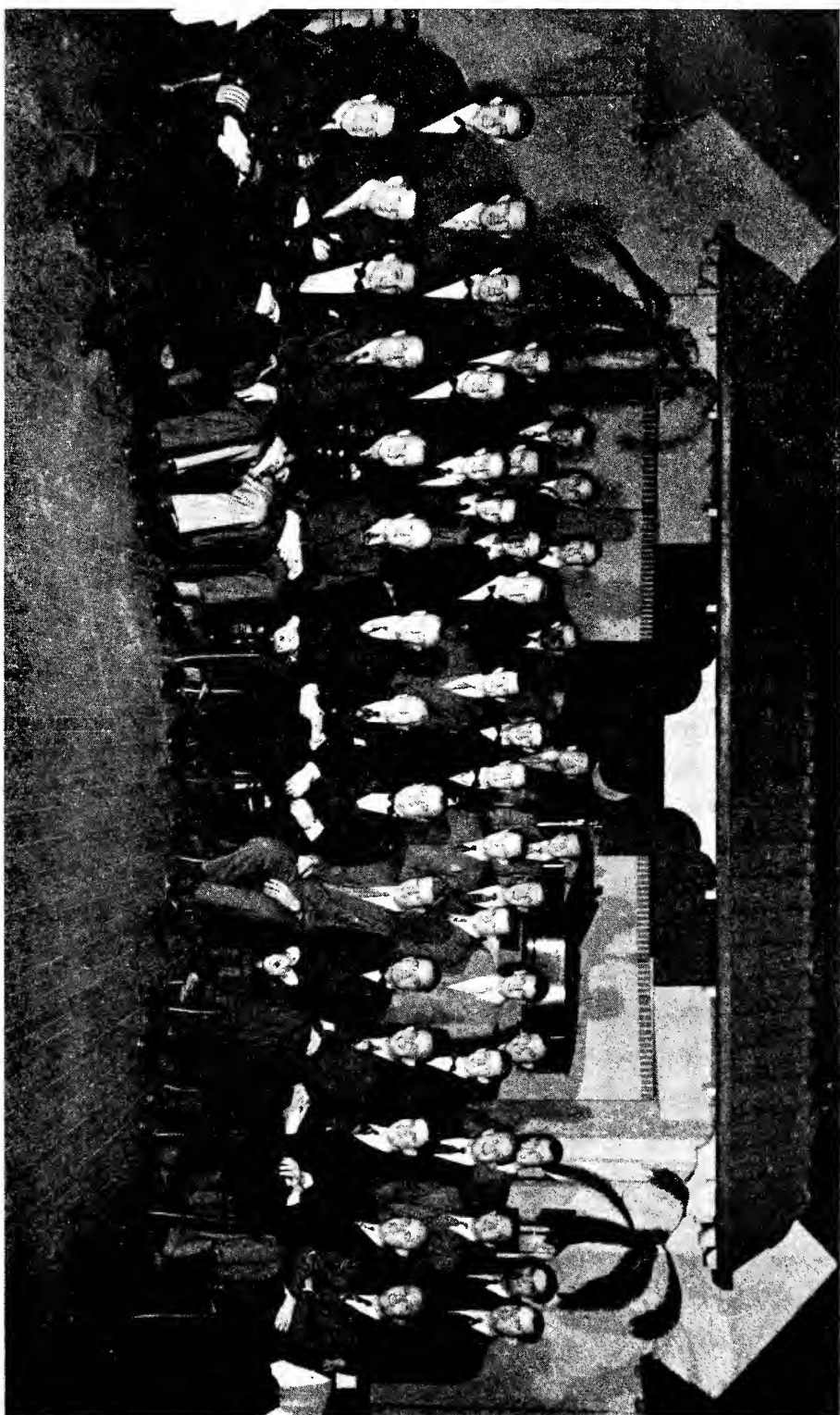


President

### ETA FOUNDERS' DAY DINNER

Eta Chapter and Eta Alumni celebrated Founders' Day at a banquet on March 14, 1947 at the Club Rayburn, which is located halfway between Washington and Baltimore. The honor guest and speaker was Captain D. F. Weiss, U.S.N., who was in charge of a submarine division during the war in the Pacific. Captain Weiss showed technicolor sound movies called "The Silent Service." Over sixty brothers attended the banquet. After dinner, everyone visited the newly-purchased Eta Chapter house at the University of Maryland.

The banquet was attended by Regional Director W. Barrett Fuchs, Epsilon Triton '32. The oldest Eta alumnus present was Gilbert J. Morgan '07, former treasurer of the Council (1912-1914) and member of the Court of Honor since 1914. Walter C. Brandes, '16, of Yale and George Washington University, who was National Auditor of the fraternity from 1920-1922, gave a talk after the dinner and presented the chapter with a check for \$100.00! It was largely through his work years before that Eta became established so firmly at Maryland.



BROTHERS PRESENT AT ETAS FOUNDERS' DAY BANQUET

# The Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa

To Promote Brotherhood. One of the universal and inherent desires of man is for comradeship and friendship. Phi Sigma Kappa was founded and now exists in order that this need may be adequately satisfied in the lives of those selected to gather around her mystic shrine. The aim of the chapter home is to create and maintain an environment in which sacred and enduring friendships may be formed.

To Stimulate Scholarship. This being one of the central objectives of higher education, it is the steadfast purpose of Phi Sigma Kappa to promote among its members an appreciation of the value of learning and to develop habits of intellectual growth, to the end that they may be the better trained for effective leadership and service.

To Develop Character. The world has ever needed men of character and it ever will. The college fraternity with the home, the church and the school, shares the opportunity to produce men of honor, of integrity and of high moral purpose. The chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa seek to surround their members with such influences that they will go forth from their fraternity homes better men and more useful citizens because of their association with Phi Sigma Kappa.

These are the ideals upon which Phi Sigma Kappa was organized in 1873. They have remained unaltered as the foundation upon which has been built the superstructure of today. The symbolism of these ideals as expressed in its rituals must necessarily be revealed only to its members; therefore these rituals are secret.

For the more perfect realization of these high and worthy motives, chapter homes are provided by the generous sacrifice of a host of brothers; and successive generations of brothers, seeing the vision of the opportunity here presented and inspired by it, dedicate their labor and their love to its more complete fulfillment.

# Phi Sigma Kappa Creed

In the firm conviction that my Fraternity demands of me a life of Faith and Purpose:

I hereby solemnly declare MY FAITH in the wisdom and love of God; in the dignity and worth of my fellowmen; in the strength and beauty of true fraternity; in the history and future of my country; and in the traditions and program of my Alma Mater.

Henceforward, therefore, it shall be MY PURPOSE, to remain forever true to this, my Fraternity's faith in me and in turn, to preserve and promote courageously and unselfishly the chosen ideals of our mutual affection and common endeavor.

To this end I dedicate MY LIFE to the maintenance of this Faith and the pursuit of this Purpose so that the ideals of Phi Sigma Kappa, being embodied in me, may be fulfilled in my character and conduct, and be known and honored by all men.

By these things I stand.

# Sigma Beta Mu of Fresno State

## Petitions Council

Sigma Beta Mu Fraternity of Fresno State College has presented its petition for a charter for a chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa to the Expansion Committee of the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa.

In their petition, the petitioners state that "It became apparent to the fraternity that the expansion policies of the Fresno State College would require that fraternities on the campus be able to accommodate students attracted from all over the nation. With this knowledge, it also became apparent that a fraternity of a local nature had nothing to offer. Thus, national fraternities were contacted by Sigma Beta Mu during a period of three or four months. The fraternity was able to talk with members of these different nationals.

It wasn't until March 3, 1947 that a national fraternity was found with ideals

much the same as Sigma Beta Mu. On this date Dr. Edward Vernon Tenney, an alumnus of the Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity, presented the fundamentals of his fraternity. On April 7, 1947, the members of Sigma Beta Mu voted to petition the Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity for a charter at Fresno State College."

The petitioners also state that Fresno State College ranks high, its degrees being recognized by all American universities, that its faculty numbers 140 and that at present 26 majors in liberal arts are being offered. The college, which in 1911 started with a small group of wooden buildings, now includes the fine administration and classroom building pictured below, science building, library, theater, stadium, field house and women's gymnasium, and it is conceded that the college is just beginning to grow.



ADMINISTRATION, FRESNO STATE COLLEGE



# The Hit and Run Is On

By CLINTON W. EVANS

*President, American Association of College Baseball Coaches*

COLLEGE baseball will emerge from the 1947 season with a national following and acclaim that it has not enjoyed for the past two or three decades if the program that has been started reaches its full potential.

Not only is collegiate diamond warfare coming back on a high level after suffering, as other sports did, during the war years, but it is reaching out on a national scale that will dwarf all past efforts to bring it into the same prominence and prestige that other major college sports have.

The main thing is that there will be a national playoff for the American college baseball title—an intercollegiate world series—this summer. That is the goal we of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches have been striving for over the last fifteen years. It puts baseball on a par with football, basketball, and the other sports that have won a nation-wide public following.

This year is the beginning. We intend to continue the playoffs in the years to come, and by so doing place intercollegiate baseball where it should be.

This may not seem important to many

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Editor's Note: Clinton W. (Clint) Evans, baseball coach of the University of California, was offered the presidency of the Pacific Coast Professional Baseball League late in 1943, but he turned down the offer in order to stay with California, where he has been baseball coach for nearly a quarter of a century, and where he has prepared several boys for major league careers. Prior to going to the University of California, Clint coached Twin Falls, Idaho High School to three state baseball championships. At one time he also coached football at the University of California. His eleven, starting late in the 1933 season, chalked up 23 consecutive victories. He has also served as General Manager of the Associated Students of the University of California. (See Jan. 1944 SIGNET, p. 34)

persons who follow the professional teams, but there is no question that our young players must learn their ball at high schools and colleges. If college baseball is going to train the future big-leaguers, then it must be supported and encouraged.

The major leagues realize this. High Commissioner A. B. (Happy) Chandler is aware of our program, and cannot help but recognize that we can assist organized baseball in a very practical way by drawing larger crowds to college games, and by instilling enthusiasm, and by training embryo players. Our relations with Mr. Chandler and with George Trautman, the minor league chieftain, are amicable. We are anxious to help them, and we feel they will be desirous of assisting us once they understand the full import of our expanded program. Unfortunately, such a relationship between organized baseball people and college baseball coaches has not always existed. The time for the realization of that tieup is close at hand, and it can mean only one thing—baseball will gain.

The Association has, through becoming affiliated officially with the National Collegiate Athletic Association, been able to lay the groundwork for the national diamond playoffs. We plan to have each of the eight NCAA districts represented by one team, selected either by a district playoff or by a committee.

Champions of each of the four western districts will meet in sudden elimination playoffs June 20-21, the winner to meet the eastern champion, decided by similar playoffs, also June 20-21. Sites for these games have not been selected

yet. Then the two sectional winners will meet for the intercollegiate title in a three-game series a week later, although that site has not been chosen yet, either. Perhaps next year the series will be a five-game affair.

We feel certain the intercollegiate baseball team that wins our "world series" would give many professional teams a thumping. We feel certain, too, that we will see many big league stars developed from this playoff system—top players who will graduate into professional ball because of their college playing.

Already Mr. Chandler has appointed a committee to meet with us so that we can begin to work out our mutual problems, and we are confident that an equitable and satisfactory solution will be reached.

Our two basic desires are: (1) to reach an agreement with organized baseball so that they will not take our players during their college careers; and (2) to gain support, spiritually and through publicity, from organized baseball. It would appear, on the surface, that our desires are selfish ones, but a closer examination will prove that our program is sound and will eventually work to the advantage of professional baseball.

We have no argument with organized baseball, but we do feel that if they will agree to leave our players alone while they are legitimately attempting to obtain an education, then the player will be better for having the education. When he graduates into the professional ranks, he will be a higher-type representative of baseball. It is a reciprocal plan—they help him, he helps them. Of course, if a college player has used his eligibility and wants to jump into organized baseball before he earns his bachelor's degree, there would be no objection to that since, in most cases, he would probably have four years of collegiate studies behind him even though he might not

possess a degree. Or, if a man feels that he is not completely adaptable to college studies, then in that case we would see no objection to his being taken into professional baseball.

But the main point is that we feel it is unfair to the man and to the college when professional baseball talks him into dropping his schooling, to which he seldom returns. If he fails to make the grade in professional ball, then he has lost both ways. More experience in college games, and more education are to the man's benefit; and then, after his college days are over, if he does not stay in baseball he has his education back of him.

Backing by organized baseball will assist us in a number of ways, but again it will help professional ball too. It will be a slow process to increase public interest in college baseball, that during the war was neglected to its own detriment and that of baseball generally. If the public knows that Mr. Chandler and the major league owners are behind us 100 per cent, it will be more disposed toward recognizing college baseball for what it is—a clean, typically American sport that gives youngsters physical activity and a higher sense of citizenship and team play.

The public will, furthermore, realize that college baseball, while not of the same caliber of AA, AAA, and Major League baseball, can be very good. It does not attempt, however, to compete with professional ball, and that is a point some have misunderstood. We cannot hope, nor do we wish, to draw people to our games who would otherwise attend professional games. A baseball fan is different from any other—he won't limit himself. Most college games are afternoon games and, at that, just two or three afternoons a week, whereas the trend in professional ball is toward night play, six days a week, except of course for the Sunday games.



CLINT EVANS

Generally speaking, we of the college baseball association are convinced that our efforts to help the game of baseball will do general good by promoting interest, by training better men for professional baseball, and by stimulating the youngsters to play more baseball.

Body-contact games, such as football, perhaps have a more general appeal to the public; whereas baseball, a less spectacular game, is pure athletic ability and science. Once the fan appreciates this distinction, once he knows an excellent play from a mediocre one, then he will be a true follower of baseball.

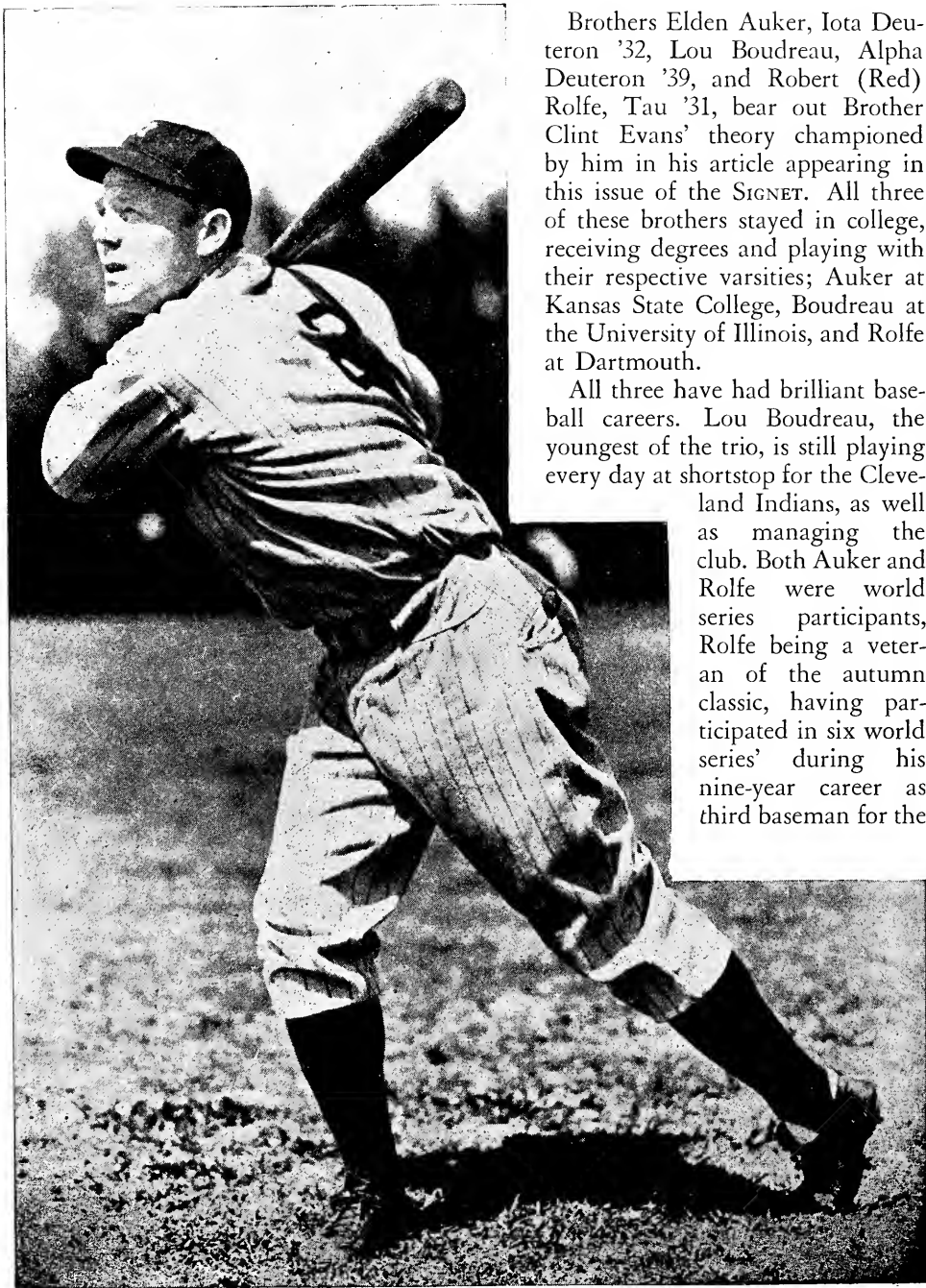
After, all, baseball is *the* American game. Many universities and colleges have sent teams to foreign nations representing America, and, diplomats and oth-

er emissaries notwithstanding, America can have no better ambassadors of goodwill than athletic teams.

In general, the objectives of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches are these: (1) an even closer union with the N.C.A.A.; (2) extension of instructional and clinical services throughout the organization; (3) addition of amateur baseball to the Olympic Games program; (4) the selection of an annual All-American baseball team; and (5) at least to double our membership by the end of the year.

Do you wonder then that the college baseball coaches of America feel their project is worthwhile? The hit and run sign is on. This is our first inning, so to speak. Wait till we get to bat!

# Three Phi Sigs Enjoy Brilliant Major League Baseball Careers



Brothers Elden Auker, Iota Deuteron '32, Lou Boudreau, Alpha Deuteron '39, and Robert (Red) Rolfe, Tau '31, bear out Brother Clint Evans' theory championed by him in his article appearing in this issue of the SIGNET. All three of these brothers stayed in college, receiving degrees and playing with their respective varsities; Auker at Kansas State College, Boudreau at the University of Illinois, and Rolfe at Dartmouth.

All three have had brilliant baseball careers. Lou Boudreau, the youngest of the trio, is still playing every day at shortstop for the Cleveland Indians, as well as managing the club. Both Auker and Rolfe were world series participants, Rolfe being a veteran of the autumn classic, having participated in six world series' during his nine-year career as third baseman for the

ROBERT A. (RED) ROLFE

New York Yankees. Elden Auker, known as the "submarine pitcher," was the pitching ace of the Detroit Tigers' staff in the 1934 classic. In his 1942 season with the St. Louis Browns he was the leading pitcher in wins in the American League, working in 34 games. He pitched the Browns to third place.

All three of these brothers were always in the top salary brackets of their respective clubs, Elden Auker and Lou Boudreau being the highest paid players on their respective teams during the 1942 season.

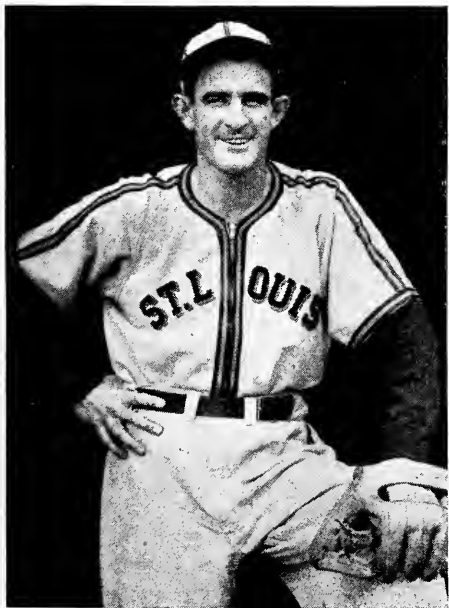
Elden Auker retired from professional baseball in 1943 to enter a business career in Detroit, Michigan.

When Rolfe retired as third baseman of the New York Yankees he was appointed head baseball and basketball coach for Yale University, which position he held until the 1946 season, when he returned to the Yankees as coach, which position he still holds.

Brother Boudreau is now in his sixth season as manager of the Cleveland Indians. Though Boudreau has not had the privilege of playing in the world



LOU BOUDREAU

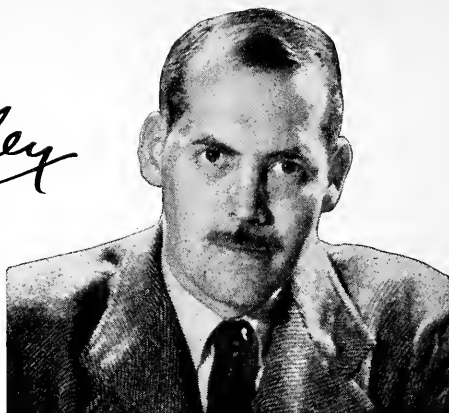


ELDEN AUKER

series, he has starred in the All-Star series. His single in the sixth inning of the 1941 game with two out scored the winning run. In 1942 Lou was the American League batting champion with a percentage of .327. In accomplishing this record he went to bat 584 times, scored 91 runs, made 191 hits, and batted in 68 runs. His hits included 45 two-base hits, 5 three-base hits, and 3 home-runs. He led the league in two-base hits. He copped a third league championship in that 1944 season with his .978 fielding average at shortstop, the highest shortstop fielding average recorded in the American League.

# Bentley's Galley

JULIAN BENTLEY, Beta Triton '30. Formerly with United Press and since 1933 News Editor of *Prairie Farmer* and WLS.



## Odds And Ends From A Correspondent's Diary

The VIP train from Victoria Station to Dover was jammed. As I got aboard, the handle on my ancient val-o-pak chose that moment to give way. Kenneth Rhone had, of all things, two extra belts which we fashioned into an emergency handle . . . In the *Times*' "agony column" someone had paid a guinea or so to point out that today was the 600th anniversary of the Battle of Crecy and that we ought to do some serious thinking about Edward III, the Black Prince who had whopped hell out of the French . . . Back in the NAAFI car for lunch, I say again that the British make the best tea on earth but they fail to get at the inner meaning of coffee . . . Canterbury Cathedral goes by . . . wonder if they've done much repairing

since I saw the town in '43. That was a German Baedekker raid in June of '42. They missed the Cathedral but wiped out the town business district . . . Dover looks much as it did in '43, badly beat up . . . We go aboard the dirty little channel boat and cross to Calais in 80 minutes. Here's a town that really had it. This was the site of the big guns that shelled Dover and, later, of buzz bomb launchers. The Canadians took it after a tough scrap. Artillery fire in many ways leaves more spectacular wreckage than air bombing . . . The dock porters winced visibly when they encountered Knox College French but I got the busted val-o-pak and my typewriter aboard the Nord Express all the same . . . The Nord Express is a German train with a French staff. Signs are in German, including the "frei" and "gesitzt" signs on the door of the travellers' convenience.

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Editor's Note: All pictures accompanying Bentley's Galley except those of the Krupp plant are part of a pack of 20 bought by Bentley for 3 cigarettes in Berlin near the Brandenburg Gate.

Following "odds and ends from a correspondent's diary," *THE SIGNET* includes as addenda to Bentley's Galley, his observations of German students and the importance of education in Germany today if the allies are to win the peace. These observations were the subject matter of his broadcast to the United States from the British Broadcasting Studios in Berlin in the autumn of 1946. (See p. 201)

Since this is a British-run train, tea is, of course, the first order of business after we get aboard. This is welcome because I'm in the usual danger of dying of thirst that an American experiences when traveling with our British friends. Why *won't* they learn to drink water? . . .

We passed through Armentières and Lille shortly before dusk and stopped briefly in Brussels at around 11 p.m.... At 2:28 we entered Germany at Aachen... We know the time because British train guards woke us all up to have a look at our orders... At about noon we reached Bad Oynhausen, left the train and drove to Bunde in Westphalia... Had my first glimpse of the celebrated "Volkswagon" or people's car that Hitler made the Germans pay for but which they never got. Seems the British found the factory in their zone and turned the switch to see what would come out. You have to admit Adolf's boys did a fairish job. It's a little round topped coupe with the motor in the rear and a luggage carrier under the "hood." They get about 35 miles to the imperial gallon and although they ride hard, still you can crowd four persons in if you have to... and we did. They were designed to sell at around \$300 at the old exchange rate...

THE British brigadier who is our official host was being ragged about a "wound" he suffered in a recent battle in Berlin. Seems the boys had had a few and got to talking about rugger. To illustrate a play, the Brig tackled a Captain. He forgot the Captain had a mechanical leg and caught his fingers in the hinge, suffering his "wound." The Brig threw a party for us this first night and it was quite a party. The officers' club was the property of a local oleomargarine tycoon. He said to the requisitioning officers Ach! no, he had never supported that dirty Hitler. But somehow they didn't believe him...

WESTPHALIA shows few, if any, signs of war. Only when you drive on the *autobahn*, the high speed four-lane highways do you see bridges and viaducts destroyed, and most of them were blown up by the Germans themselves in an ineffective scorched earth program. People

here look well fed, since they're close to the farms and there is undoubtedly a certain amount of black marketing between town and country. Occupation authorities say the farmers have done a fair job in turning in their quotas but they know it doesn't all go where it should... Striking southwest on the *autobahn*, we drop down into the grim, smoke blackened and bomb-blasted cities of the Ruhr. Here the people are different. Waxy-faced children, spindle legged with dull listless eyes... Our first glimpse of the outward signs of hunger edema... Over these towns the vaunted Luftwaffe failed to stop the Americans by day and the British by night... although this was "Flak Valley" indeed... In Wuppertal there is a fantastic suspended mono-rail elevated train which follows the winding cleared space made by the Wupper River as it meanders through town. Why it wasn't smashed in the raids is one of war's many mysteries...

Traveling through the Ruhr we come to Dusseldorf, ancient Rhineland capital. This city of roughly three quarters of a million has really had it. Most terrific ruins seen thus far... But we're told: "Wait till you see Cologne"... The former Park Hotel is now York House... senior officers only... Hmm... so that's why we were all brevetted (so to speak) Lieutenant Colonels (civilian grade) before we left London! John Miller says he's annoyed. He was a full chicken colonel in India so he goes down a grade. It's a "promotion" for Bentley because when you're a correspondent with the U. S. Navy they give you only a courtesy two stripes.

WORD comes that the court at Nuremberg has "risen"... so we won't get to see Goering and Co... Verdict is due around October 1... We visit a communal feeding center for children, mothers and grandmothers... It's in a former air raid shelter with concrete



walls yards thick . . . A troop of kids follows us in and up stairs . . . stench is just slightly overwhelming. An old woman sits at a small table with a dish of soup and a chunk of black bread . . . She looks up in a kind of dull apprehension. No, we're not going to take her soup or move her out of the place . . . Mothers with infants in side rooms . . . diapers drying on clothes lines . . . Whole scene is not pretty but you reflect that at least the Allies are caring for these people and it's a sharp contrast to the treatment the *Herrenvolk* gave to conquered peoples when *they* were walking over Europe . . .

Cologne is a scene of fantastic destruction. Most of the old landmarks are gone except the Cathedral. Although it stood right beside the railroad station and switching yards, it received only slight damage while the railroads were wiped

out. A slight contrast to the Baedekker raids . . . The shells of buildings are filled on the sides with neatly stacked bricks . . . Side streets are often mere winding lanes among the rubble . . . They tell us that without machines it will take 20 years just to clear away the mess . . . In Berlin, though, the British have built a seven-story building, using ground-up rubble and concrete. Shows what can be done . . . Up the Rhine as far as Bonn. In the southern distance are the hills above Godesberg. On one may be seen the outline of the inn where a man called Neville Chamberlain stayed overnight in 1938 before he went down to Godesberg for an important conference . . . Peace in our time . . . Back down the river by boat from Bonn to Cologne where we pick up our cars again. Rhine banks are lined almost solidly with sunken ships and barges, tribute to



Essen, Krupp Works. Breech-block for Sevastopol 32-inch siege guns. Tall man is Col. John D. Miller, 6 feet, 4 inches, which indicates size of the gun!





Essen. Tour of gun shops at Krupp Works.

American and British bombing . . . We cross the Rhine again at Cologne, using the Bailey bridge called The George S. Patton Memorial Bridge . . . A day spent in Essen at the Krupp Mansion (Villa Hugel) and a fragment of the Krupp works. The "fragment" is the Gustahlfabrik Werke, five miles square. (Described in an earlier SIGNET.) Here's where they made the Sevastopol siege gun, world's biggest (see photo) . . . The Krupp mansion is a triumph of bad taste . . . The old boy moved an entire forest one winter and transplanted it to the grounds of the estate . . . shows what God could do, if He had money . . .

In Dusseldorf cigarettes have a black market value of three or four marks—nominally 30 or 40 cents—apiece. In Berlin they're worth seven marks. One-day laundry service costs me five cigarettes and a piece of soap. I'm told I've cheapened the "currency" . . . should

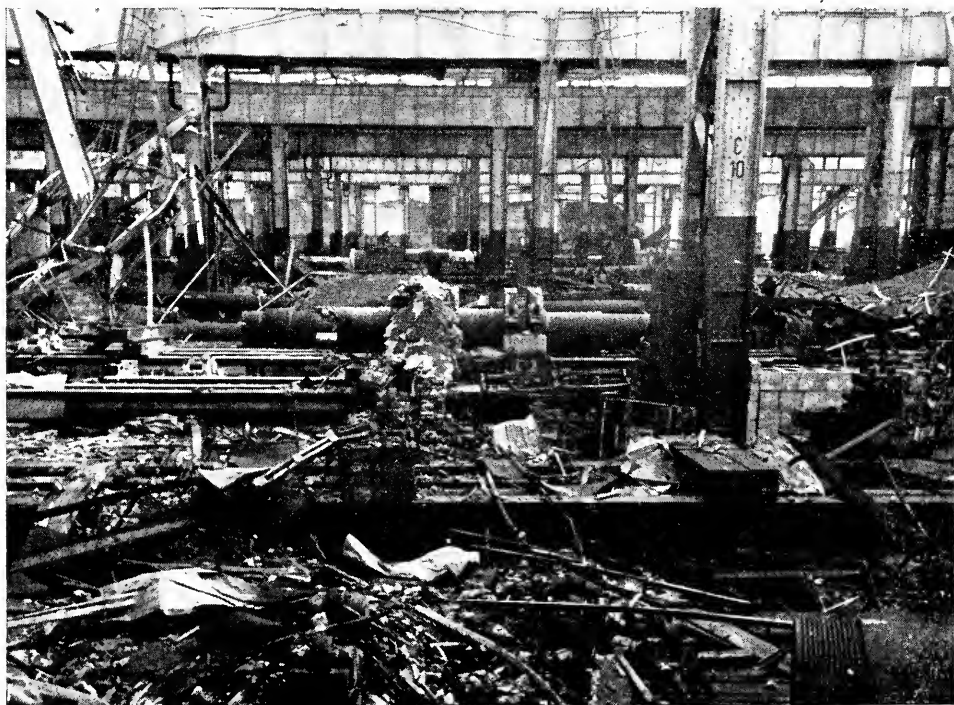
have paid only three cigarettes, they tell me . . . This is a British-run hotel, so there is, naturally, early morning tea served by the batman before you're out of bed. One cup and you're up for the day. It's a fine institution, early morning tea. The batman says his name is Karl Heinz, captured in Africa and a prisoner in Oklahoma and Texas. He says Monday will be his 25th birthday (business of handing over cigarettes) and he'd like to come to America to live. He's proud of his English, and it is pretty good. Couldn't have learned it in Texas, though . . . no drawl . . . Germans start lining up at 6 a. m. Sunday for tickets for that afternoon's concert by the Dusseldorf Symphony . . . We attend the 6 p. m. concert as befits the conquerors. It's pretty good . . . The boys handle the Tannhauser Overture as you might expect . . . they rather manhandle their reading of Beethoven's Seventh . . . but

a young girl comes out and teams up with them for the Lizst A Flat piano concerto that leaves nothing to criticize . . . And this is one a lot of concert pianna-players would rather not attempt. It's tough . . . We're told this is the third performance of the day for the orchestra and the young girl . . . We ask if they get extra food rations . . . No, they don't . . . It's not considered heavy work.

**N**ORTH via the *autobahn* to Hamburg where we are bedded down at the Hotel Atlantic, the fanciest joint in town. It was relatively undamaged by bombing . . . in contrast to the city and docks . . . miles of roofless shells of buildings. We're told the Germans covered the huge Intersee or small lake with a camouflaged tarpaulin trying to deflect the raids . . . Small German bell hop carrying a sign on a stick through

the lobby . . . the sign says Captain Kidd is wanted on the telephone. Boy perhaps wonders why the grins . . . I make first broadcast\* from Germany, using studios of Nordwest Deutsche Rundfunk . . . one of the late Lord Haw Haw's studios . . . (no cracks, please) British radio men are training de-Nazified radio staff . . . little by little control of German home radio is to be given over to Germans . . . This seems to be typical of Allied efforts to get Germans to take over and stand on their own feet . . . Carroll Binder, John Miller and I go to the Hamburg opera, which offers Purcell's "Dido and Aeneas" and a ballet set to something by Hindemith . . . A varied dish and extremely well done . . .

**S**OUTH and east from Hamburg via Brunswick to Helmstedt, as grim a mining town as you could imagine. This is 115 miles west of the Berlin circle and



Essen. Krupp Works. Devastation in one of the heavy gun shops.

this is where we cross into the zone of our Allies, the Russians . . . In fact, this is the only point where the Soviets permit American, British and French parties to come in by land . . . We stop at the guard post and show papers to American and British guards . . . They telephone ahead to the check point at the Berlin Circle . . . "Two cars, a Hillman and a Wolsey, plus a four-by-four battle box truck are now leaving. There are seven British and five Americans. If they don't arrive by 5 p. m., please send out a search party." The guards tell our Conducting Officer, Squadron Leader John Croxson, RAF, that we should not stop and under no circumstances should we get off the *autobahn*. Our Allies don't like that. We promise to be good boys, then drive ahead 100 yards or so to the Soviet barrier. Half a dozen red flags flutter in the September breeze. The barrier is lifted for us, an Ivan on duty gives us a smart rifle salute and we drive into the Soviet Zone . . . A glance back reveals big pictures of Stalin and Molotov, a bit rain streaked . . . En route to Berlin we count about 150 Russian vehicles stalled or broken down . . . Highway signs are now in German and Russian . . . At the Berlin Circle we stop to show papers . . . a small German car chugs past . . . An MP from Texas yells "Halt!" and draws his automatic . . . Small German car halts, turns about and driver shows papers for himself and wife . . . We ask the MP if he really was going to shoot . . . "Those are my orders, suh." . . . "Then, why didn't you take a shot at that carload of Russkys that just whizzed past?" . . . "Well, we tried that, suh. Trouble is with those guys . . . they shoot back." Further inquiry reveals that when complaints were made at higher levels regarding Russian soldiers paying small attention to our traffic rules and check points, the Russian brass said, in effect, "Well, shoot them. They know better than that."

OUR Berlin billet is the Hotel Savoy, not far from the Zoo Station . . . A small Berliner, aged about three, patrols a beat before the Savoy . . . Fortunately, I still have some chocolate and chewing gum . . . and she comes next day with two even smaller friends. I still have gum, and I fear that's the reason she pretends to understand my German . . . It must have been a bit noisy at the Savoy on certain nights . . . You can trace where a stick of bombs swept across from southwest to northeast . . . just skipping the Savoy.

The Germans in the wrecked cities of Cologne, Dusseldorf, Essen, Hamburg and Hannover seem generally apathetic and listless. Generally they don't seem to have much hope. They prefer not to discuss Hitler, the war or even the future. I didn't hear any one of them express a feeling of guilt about the war.

The Berliners, though, are a bit different. Their food ration is better and perhaps that is why they seem jauntier and better spirited. Two opera companies are running in Berlin, the theatres showing Shakespeare and Oscar Wilde's "Importance of Being Earnest" are playing to packed houses. German jazz bands grind out "Don't Fence Me In," "Brazil," "Star Dust" and other not too recent tunes . . . Restaurants and sidewalk cafes are crowded. Where they all live is a question . . . There are literally square miles of utter devastation in Berlin . . . On a Sunday you can walk on the Kurfuerstendamm,—past the Zoo and into a waste of apartment buildings wrecked by bombs and shellfire and for blocks you will not meet a living soul. There is an eerie quiet about it and you reflect again that those who take the sword shall perish by it.

In the once wooded Tiergarten the trees have all been cut for fire wood. A double line of marble statues of the Kings of Prussia still stands among the vegetable gardens and weeds . . . Shell fire



The Soviet Victory Monument in Berlin, one of the first structures erected by the Russians.

swept this area and here is a marble statue of a king, most of which is shot away except one half of the figure with an upraised arm . . . Nearby is a bronze horse with most of its hindquarters shot away.

Farther on, beyond the wrecked Brandenburg Gate lie the ruins of the Hotel Adlon, and the old United States Embassy. Turning off Unter den Linden into the Wilhelmstrasse you enter Hitler's grandiose and pompous Reichschancellory . . . You walk through the ruins of the enormous halls into Hitler's private office—a snug little place of about two acres of floor space . . . Passing through a ruined French door you walk into the garden and across to the famous air raid shelter where Hitler and Eva Braun and Propagandist Goebbels and his family are believed to have died. With a party of British, Americans and Russians you descend four long flights of stairs. Here were a hospital, radio station, kitchens, food store houses, sleeping quarters. You are under sixty or seventy feet of concrete. Here is the battered couch where Hitler supposedly shot Eva Braun and then himself. The walls are covered with names, British, American, French, Australian and Russian. Under a Russian inscription you

Typical wreckage in Berlin.



find a typically American slogan: "Kilroy was here." . . .

Coming up from Hitler's shelter you gratefully take a breath of fresh air. Then you are shown the spot where Hitler's body supposedly was burned . . . It's hard to say what the Germans believe about Hitler. We had two German guides this Sunday. One said he believed Hitler was still alive although he hoped not. The other one said that was nonsense—that there was no question that Hitler was dead. In any case, there doesn't seem to be much evidence of any underground movement left behind by the Nazis to carry on their tradition.

LEAVING Hitler's wrecked Chancellory, you drive through more miles of wrecked buildings, past the Kaiser's old palace with its 2,000 rooms, past Herman Goering's air ministry which came through the war surprisingly undamaged. It is now being used by the Russian occupation authorities since it is in their sector of Berlin . . . You drive out to the huge stadium which Hitler ordered built for the 1936 Olympic games. You remember those games and how embarrassing it was for Hitler—the leader of the so-called master race—to see an American colored boy, Jesse Owens, win one dash after another. On this day an inter-Allied track and field meet is being held. The stadium, which is about the size of Soldier Field, Chicago, seats 120,000. The events are called and the results announced in three languages—English, French and German . . . The Russians are not taking part. Maybe they knew how good the Belgians were . . . The Belgians were winning first places with monotonous regularity.

YOU drive back into town and past the huge and unbelievably ugly flak or anti-aircraft buildings. These are huge, greenish, yellowish structures built of concrete with walls thirty feet thick.

They look nearly as big as the Pentagon building in Washington. It was here on the nights of the great raids on Berlin that 30,000 Germans were sheltered in each building. On the top were the ack-ack or anti-aircraft guns. In the last stages of the war these were manned by boys of 14 to 16. When they reached 16 they were called up and sent to the front. Now these ugly buildings have been turned into hospitals for wounded German soldiers.

**A**NOTHER thing you do in Berlin on Sunday is attend church. Although you have been told that there is no definite religious revival in Germany — no turning to religion in a time of trouble — still the church you attend is packed. The pastor, whose name cannot be mentioned, but it wasn't Niemoeller, was one of many who had suffered at the hands of the Gestapo and in concentration camps. His sermon tells his congregation that Germany must make amends for her past mistakes and must somehow win a place where she may have some respect from other nations. The way, he says, will be long and hard. When the collection plate is passed you notice that in addition to money there are numerous gifts of food — which today in Germany is much more valuable than money.

**A**LSO on Sunday you talk with some of the American relief workers in Germany. You hear of the work of the Quakers, Catholics, Lutherans, Menonites, Dunkards, Unitarians, Brethren, and the International Relief and Rescue Committee. These groups are generally referred to as CRALOG, which stands for Council of Relief Agencies Licensed for Operation in Germany. Much food and clothing have been sent but much more is needed. You get the impression that the relief supplies are being distributed fairly and equitably on the basis of



More typical Berlin devastation.

greatest need. You come away with the feeling that these devoted Americans, supported by their organizations at home, are doing as much as anyone to prepare the way for democracy in Germany — a country which never really understood it.

Another point which the American relief workers bring up is the matter of fraternization — about which tons of words have been written — usually in a kind of leering fashion. Intelligent Germans who maintain that they want Germany to mend her ways say that Allied policy more or less forces fraternization at the lowest levels. They say they believe in a kind of fraternization whereby, for example, a German scientist, artist, or businessman could meet and discuss things with an American, British, or French citizen in Germany who is interested in the same things. Under the present setup there is really no way this can be done. This is certainly one major criticism that could be made of allied Occupation Policy. If we want to build a decent Germany, one that has proper concepts of our form of democracy, then surely we should find ways of bringing about this association. After all, we should remember that the Germans under the

The Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, hit by air bombs and apparently also by artillery fire.



Nazis were closed off from the rest of the world for twelve years. There are great gaps in their thought and ideas — gaps that need to be filled in.

And so the long Sunday in Berlin comes to a close. At the Delphi Palast, an open air beer garden across from the Savoy on Fasanen Strasse, GI's, British Tommies and Berlin frauleins are drinking beer. A loud German jazz band is putting forth its loudest efforts. The tune? "Don't Fence Me In."

THIS is the ten-day period when six Dakota transports have cracked up around the world . . . At Tempelhof when our Paris-bound plane taxis up under the cantilever eaves of the terminal building, we're dee-lighted to see that it's a Dakota . . . Security lecture on how to get into a parachute . . . As you walk out to the airplane, you pass a small table on which there are two neat stacks of New Testaments . . . You may have one, if you like . . . The take-off is okay but the plastic windows don't allow much of a view of roofless Berlin from the air . . . It's a two-man crew and if they're good navigators, well, that's fine . . . We're flying over our eastern Ally's Zone en route to Frankfurt and it seems they prefer to stay within a ten-mile fly-way. Prefer it? They insist on it . . . A half hour stop in Frankfurt, then off to Paris . . . Luxemburg feels, on the seat of my pants from 3,000 feet up, like a rugged, little country. Maybe it's the rocky hills, valleys and streams that make it so bumpy . . .

WE coast in over the lovely French countryside and land like a feather at Orly airfield. (The boys of our EATS — European Air Transport Service — know how to fly those airplanes.) . . . Through customs, immigration and currency control, then by bus to Place Vendôme where the paneled street lamps look just as they do in the movies. Paris is beautiful even though there are no

cabs this night and that blasted val-o-pak and typewriter make a nice load to carry down the Avenue des Capucins . . . My wife, Toni, has come across from London on the Golden Arrow, making the last stage of the journey from the Gare du Nord in a horse-drawn caleche . . . "Il n'y a pas de petrol, Madame," they told her . . . Four wonderful days in Paris with one broadcast worked in from Programmes de France . . .

WE try a strictly black market restaurant on the Left Bank not far from Pont Neuf . . . It's called La Berousse . . . and was a favorite of Edward Seventh. The decor, we judge, is the same as when Edward was last there. We are ushered to a second floor private dining room . . . Fat cupids float across the ceiling . . . there is real linen . . . We feel guilty but, of course, we're only doing this in the interest of research . . . Magnificent luncheon with some 1928 Pommard, wild strawberries and such-like . . . We ask for "l'addition" . . . our trio of waiters retires and ceremoniously locks the door as they have between every course . . . Through the door comes muffled French mathematics . . . Sounds more like multiplication than addition . . . Johnny and I tot up our francs . . . Between us we have about 13,000 . . . Deferential waiter returns, puts "L'addition" face down ominously . . . departs tactfully . . . We lift a corner of the check . . . Well, 6700 francs for lunch for four ain't bad . . . Figures out at around 14 bucks apiece . . . It will be nice to look back on, come this winter . . . Besides you could spend more than 14 bucks any Saturday night in Chicago, we keep telling ourselves . . .

Must make mental memo: Never leave Paris on Sunday morning at 7 o'clock . . . The train from Gare St. Lazaire to Dieppe is packed, including the aisles . . . Four hour trip to Dieppe where the train stops at dock side . . . After cus-

toms, immigration and so on we go aboard the Channel Steamer Isle of Thanet for the 70 mile trip north to Newhaven, Sussex . . . It's a boat a lot older than I am . . . but it makes a good brisk crossing . . . Dieppe Harbor, a winding, twisting affair . . . This was the scene of that first major commando raid of August 19, 1942 . . . It must have been Hell, pure and simple . . . The port will bear its scars for a long time to come . . .

Once out in open water we find it's a really rough day, although there's bright sunshine . . . the venerable Isle of Thanet develops a fine roller coaster movement . . . we are not sea sick but made the mistake of leaving our bags and trench coats on deck . . . Someone has — shall we say — criticized them extensively. Oh, well, we'll be home in another six weeks and in Chicago I'll bet we can find a dry cleaner.

## The German Students

(From Bentley's Berlin broadcast, Autumn 1946)

As my tour of Germany draws to a close, I am naturally coming to certain conclusions. One of the most important to my mind is this: The chief hope of the Allies for winning the peace depends upon the young men and women now attending the German universities. In many ways this is the most vital problem facing the Occupying Powers. When the Allies moved in and Germany surrendered, the victors naturally discovered Nazi party members in all the important key positions in Germany. The Big Four agreed on a policy of thorough de-Nazification. The Nazis were to be kicked out of their jobs. No one could argue with that. Of course we didn't want Nazis to remain in vital offices and jobs. But you have to find someone to take the place of the Nazi you remove from office. This was the problem.

The Allies in most cases have had to turn to older men . . . men who were never members of the Nazi party and who either had been in concentration camps or had managed to survive by being very quiet and working as laborers. I have seen and talked with many of these older men who have come back to teach in the schools and universities. In one university which I visited the *average* age of the professors is 57. Many of

them are in their late sixties and seventies. Many of them are suffering from malnutrition, for they get only the basic food ration which in the British zone is only 1160 calories a day. Doctors say that is enough to keep alive if you spend most of your time in bed. But these older men are doing hard work. Consequently it is not uncommon for one of them to faint away in the lecture hall . . . especially in the winter when there is no heat for the buildings and the temperature in classrooms gets as low as 26 degrees above zero. At one university which I visited I was told that most of the teaching staff show symptoms of starvation.

Both students and faculty have difficulty in concentrating and remembering. Students frequently go to sleep during lectures. However, the students, being younger, seem to be able to stand near-starvation conditions better than their teachers. But it is apparent that these older men are simply going to kill themselves in a very few years. The question is will they — before that happens — be able to train a generation of younger Germans for the job of running Germany on a democratic and peaceable basis? The vital nature of this question was admirably underscored by our former



Secretary of State, James Byrnes, in his speech at Stuttgart, Germany, on United States policy toward Germany. Among his main points were these: The purpose of the Allied occupation of Germany did not contemplate a long alien dictatorship of Germany. The German people should now be given primary responsibilities for running their own affairs. They should be permitted and helped to set up a democratic government. Occupation must continue for a long time but a provisional German government composed of the democratically responsible ministers from the four occupation zones should be set up soon. This government should be given the task of drafting a federal constitution for Germany.

To do all this . . . to get Germany to stand on its own feet we shall have to depend on the present generation of university students. *They are our chief hope.* That is why the story of education in Germany today is in many ways the most important story of all.

Now, what about the students? In the first place the universities are crowded. But many thousands applied who had to be turned away for lack of space and facilities. For example, at Hamburg University there are 3784 students, forty percent of whom are women. But more than 21,000 would-be students applied for admission. The basis of admission is roughly like this: First, the student must prove that he was not a Nazi. If he was a member of the Hitler youth organization but did not hold office or take any prominent part he is usually approved on the ground that he was forced into membership. All youths born after January 1, 1919, are automatically exonerated of any Nazi guilt. First priority on admission goes to those who were nearly through with their schooling when the war began. Second choice goes to those who were severely wounded in the war.

Living conditions for students are extremely bad. The low food ration is bad

enough, but with that are combined such things as unheated class rooms, lack of proper clothing and living quarters and a chance to study alone and concentrate on learning. Some students have *literally* no place to live, but work as night watchmen and get a few hours sleep daily.

There is also in the universities a great shortage of books, notebooks, paper, pencils, pens and ink. Students take notes on the back of old envelopes or any odd scrap of paper they can find. The directors of the universities emphasized other problems as well. They pointed out that twelve years under the Nazis had drawn a curtain between German thought and the rest of the world. Books, magazines and professors were ruthlessly purged unless they conformed to the party line. Consequently, today's university professors are continually coming across gaps in the basic education of the students . . . gaps which the Nazis purposely put there.

Sometimes it is necessary to arrange basic preparatory courses so that the students will be able to fill in these gaps and go on with their university work. Also there is a crying need for, not only books, but educational and scientific publications of all sorts. The Germans say they must catch up with what was going on in scientific fields in the outside world between 1933 and 1945. This is something that might be considered by our schools and colleges. Perhaps ways will soon be found whereby they may send their old back number copies of scientific journals to these German students who need them. Also it may soon be possible for an American university to adopt a German university, so to speak, and give the students a helping hand with food parcels and school equipment. This would be one of the best investments we could make.

Now, how do the students feel themselves? What are they thinking about? After talking with several of the student



leaders in universities here I can report this: They are gradually coming out of the sense of shock and being dazed which characterized them immediately after the German surrender. They were violently disillusioned. The Nazis had drilled into them day and night that Hitler's way of life was the only possible way, that the democracies were soft and decadent. Now they realize that Germany was given the *beating of her life by these so-called soft democracies*. Everything they had been taught to believe was suddenly swept away.

Thus far we have not been able to give them much of a substitute. To a certain extent they are living in a vacuum. They *want* to believe *something* but they don't want to be fooled again. At first they would take no interest in politics. But gradually they are beginning to do so. They realize that Germany's future depends upon *them* to a large extent. However, they are by no means certain that the present lineup of parties, Socialists, Christian Democrats, Communists, and so on, holds any real hope for Germany. They seem to feel the present parties are organized on a pre-1933 basis and that perhaps Germany needs something new if she is going to get on with the job of reconstruction. They believe that a democratic movement must come in Germany which retains some of the old German democratic tradition but which will accept some things from other democracies.

As for Communism, there is no question but that the Russians in their zone of *Germany* and their sector of Berlin are doing their very best to convert the Germans to Communism. The best answers I have obtained from American, British, and German officials is that the Russians are not making much headway. Nevertheless, they will keep trying and they will offer *something positive* whenever possible . . . even down to a matter of providing *coal* and *window glass* for

teachers who think as the Communists want them to do. On our side, we too must offer something more positive to the Germans. The American and British educational officers who are guiding the German schools and universities are men of the highest calibre. They are working away at what at times is a heart-breaking job. I believe we at home must support and help them to help the German students. It is hard to preach *democracy* to someone with an *empty stomach*. The German student is hungry and tired. But thus far he is still eager. Let us *invest* in him. He is our *best* . . . in fact, our *only* . . . chance.

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### BOYD RETIRED FROM KENTUCKY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Dr. Paul P. Boyd, Phi Deuteron Honorary, was retired by the Board of Trustees after thirty years of faithful, outstanding service at the University of Kentucky, where he held the post of Dean of the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

Dr. Herman L. Donovan, university president, credited Brother Boyd with making great contributions to the education of the youth of Kentucky through his service to his college.

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### ETA DEUTERON FOUNDERS' DAY REUNION

Eta Deuteron Chapter conducted one of the best Founders' Day reunions they have had in years. Open house was held at the chapter house from 2:30 to 5:00 on Saturday afternoon. Dean Palm, our Regional Director, was with us.

An informal meeting of the chapter and alumni was held about 3:00 and a rather bounteous buffet supper was served consisting of ravioli, spaghetti, turkey, ham, stuffed celery, salad, pie and coffee. Approximately twenty-five alumni were present and the afternoon was extremely pleasant.

# Region III Conclave

The first post-war Region III Conclave was officially opened by Regional Director W. Barrett Fuchs in the Blue Room of the Andrew Johnson Hotel, Knoxville, Tennessee, at 10 a. m. on April 11, 1947. Immediately after opening the Conclave, Regional Director Fuchs commented that every chapter in Region III was now reactivated and represented at the Conclave. The Conclave was highly honored with the presence of Brothers Herbert L. Brown, National President, and Earl F. Schoening, National Secretary-Treasurer. Brother Fuchs introduced Brother Brown, who expressed his desire to discuss any problems and to meet all Conclave delegates. Brother Schoening's introduction followed with his comment, "This is the first time I have attended a Region III Conclave, and I am very happy to be here."

Brother Fuchs emphasized that the success of the Conclave would depend upon the support and talkativeness of the delegates; that its purpose was to discuss the problems of the chapters and try to reach mutual solutions. Brother Fuchs then made the following appointments: Brothers John Bohanon and Gerald Robinson of Xi Deuteron to act as co-secretaries; Brothers Irving J. Mills, Epsilon Triton delegate, and Robert M. Wright, Eta delegate, to act as sergeants-at-arms; Brothers P. Brice Horton, Epsilon Triton delegate, Bill Donly, Gamma Triton delegate, and Thomas A. Prather, Phi Deuteron delegate, to serve on the Recommendations Committee with Brother J. Philip Schaefer, Chapter Adviser of Eta, as chairman; Brothers Robert L. Jones, delegate from Omicron Deuteron, William G. Hensley, delegate from Kappa Deuteron, and William R. Carroll, delegate from Lambda, to compose the Resolutions Committee, with Brother

Herbert Fuchs, Adviser to Epsilon Triton, as chairman.

Brother Barrett Fuchs then yielded the gavel to Brother Jack Whiteside, president of the host chapter, Xi Deuteron, who presided through the morning session. The first session was entirely given over to the reports of individual chapters and introduction of chapter delegates. The chapter reports were given by the following brothers: Robert Wright, Eta; Lou Hoffacker, Lambda; Stan Henry, Kappa Deuteron; Gordon Sams, Xi Deuteron; Robert Jones, Omicron Deuteron; Paul Grumble, Phi Deuteron; Bill Donly, Gamma Triton; and George Latham, Epsilon Triton. The chapter reports revealed that 279 actives and 121 pledges made up the rosters of chapters in Region III; that all chapters are showing progress in social functions, scholarship, and athletic activities. Brother Wright, Eta, expressed the chapter's thanks to the Grand Chapter for its cooperation in helping Eta to obtain a chapter house. Brother Sams, Xi Deuteron, commented that finances for Xi Deuteron's chapter house were appropriated through undergraduates with very little help from the alumni.

The first session was adjourned at 12:15 p. m. and the second session was called at 2:00 p. m.

Brother Brown expressed the importance of a good adviser, stating that an adviser may be the difference between a mediocre and an excellent chapter. He pointed out that the duties of the adviser were threefold: (1) To act as liaison officer between chapter and national organization; (2) To act as middle man between the chapter and its alumni; and (3) To act as contact between college administration and chapter. Brother Brown stated, "An adviser cannot advise a chapter by remote control. He

should attend at least two meetings each month."

Brother Schoening discussed chapter relations with the Grand Chapter, placing emphasis on: (1) Keeping a close record of personnel cards, not ordering more cards than is necessary; (2) Sending quarterly reports in promptly; (3) Sending in of monthly reports by treasurer; (4) Keeping on the look-out for feature stories for the *SIGNET*; (5) That the chapter was responsible for the payment of undergraduate dues at the rate of \$1.00 per man for each month or fraction thereof that the college or university was in session; (6) That there is no such thing in Phi Sigma Kappa as inactive status; (7) That a chapter could waive its chapter dues if it saw fit but it could not waive the national dues. Brother Schoening further stated that there was now \$8,000.00 in the *SIGNET* Life Subscription Fund and that the national fraternity had employed two Field Secretaries for chapter inspection and expansion survey.

Brother Henry of Kappa Deuteron expressed the opinion that chapters should not be liable for undergraduate dues for undergraduates who have become inactive members of the chapter and he moved that the matter be referred to the Recommendations Committee for consideration and recommendation.

On Friday evening the Conclave enjoyed a delicious dinner at the 509 Club, following which the national officers, chapter advisers and delegates adjourned to the Xi Deuteron chapter house for a smoker and motion pictures by Regional Director Barrett Fuchs. The congeniality of the Conclave hosts, amid the attractive furnishings of their new chapter house, made a most pleasant evening and one which the guests will long remember.

The Saturday morning session opened at 9:30 with the announcement of a telegram from Alabama that the chapter

there had just been able to lease a chapter house. The Region III Travel Fund was then discussed. It was brought out that there was \$348.34 in the fund from pre-war days, \$160.00 of which had been contributed by Lambda Chapter. Upon motion made by the delegate from Lambda Chapter and properly seconded, it was voted that an assessment of \$5.00 a month per chapter be made against chapters in Region III for the Region III Conclave Fund, commencing May 1, 1947 and that all previous debts be canceled.

The Grand Chapter paid the round-trip railroad and Pullman fare of all chapter advisers and chapter delegates to this Conclave as it had done for each of the Conclaves held in the other five regions. On motion properly made and seconded, the delegates to the Region III Conclave voted that the other expenses, including hotel, meals and tips, be paid from their Region III Conclave Fund.

In response to a question asked of Brother Brown with respect to the holding of the 1948 Convention, he stated that it would probably be held in Boston either in late July or early August of 1948 and that it was estimated that it would cost between \$9,000.00 and \$10,000.00.

The Ritual was next discussed, Brother Brown giving the delegates information on the progress which he is making with respect to its improvement.

Brother Clement of Xi Deuteron urged close contact between the local chapter and the National Headquarters, which brought forth the statement from Brother Barrett Fuchs that many of the questions sent to the National Headquarters could be answered by him and that he had not heard from some of the chapters in his region at all and that he would be more than willing to help with some of their problems were he advised of them.

The subject of expansion was next discussed and in that connection Brother Schoening stated that approximately

\$4,200.00 had been spent between July 1, 1946 and April 1, 1947 on expansion and rehabilitation, that concrete results to date are the successful re-establishment of Pi Deuteron Chapter at Ohio State; the addition of Theta Triton Chapter at the University of Texas, inducted May 3 and 4, 1947; petition of Sigma Beta Mu Fraternity at Fresno State College for a charter for a chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa; and the local programs already underway at many other institutions, looking to the establishment of additional chapters in the near future.

Brother Schoening urged the undergraduate delegates to send the National Headquarters lists of their undergraduates who were now attending colleges and universities where Phi Sigma Kappa does not now have a chapter.

Brother Barrett Fuchs then personally outlined the history of the Region III scholarship cup which was donated by the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Knoxville and which was presented annually to the chapter showing the greatest improvement in scholarship over the preceding year.

In response to a question directed to him on how to build better alumni relations, Brother Brown stated that constant contact with the alumni was the best solution. Brother Schoening urged the formation of alumni clubs in the name of a city, such as "Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Washington" instead of in the name of a chapter, such as "Washington Lambda" because other Phi Sigs residing in Washington would, by the very use of the name Lambda, believe that only members of Lambda Chapter were welcome to attend the functions of the club.

The Resolutions Committee was then asked to report, following which the following resolutions were, upon motions properly made and seconded, unanimously adopted:

Be it resolved that Xi Deuteron, our host chapter, be complimented and

thanked for its fine hospitality in making the delegates feel at home and for its excellent work in organizing the details of business sessions and social activities connected with this Conclave; and that special appreciation be expressed to those committees which made this possible.

Be it resolved that a vote of thanks be extended to National President Herbert L. Brown and National Secretary-Treasurer Earl F. Schoening for their courtesy in attending this Conclave and for their cooperation in presenting the national viewpoint in relation to the problems handled by this Conclave.

Be it resolved that the Andrew Johnson Hotel of Knoxville, Tennessee be thanked for the accommodations which it placed at the disposal of this Conclave.

The Recommendations Committee was next called upon for its report. Following this report, the following two recommendations were, upon motions properly made and seconded, unanimously carried:

It is recommended that chapters consider the establishment of a chapter emergency fund from which loans may be made to worthy brothers.

It is recommended that on the date of submission of expulsion papers to the Council all chapter and Grand Chapter financial obligations be suspended until a decision is reached. In case of acquittal the member's aforementioned financial obligations shall not be made retroactive.

By a vote of 28 to 15, the following recommendation was adopted:

It is recommended that each chapter submit to the Regional Director by June 1, 1947 a statement of policy which the various chapters have followed in order to develop (a) alumni interest, (b) wives', sweethearts' and mothers' clubs; further, that a statement be included as to the effectiveness of said policy; further, that the Regional Director shall then submit to the chapters of the re-

gion a consolidated statement on effective chapter ideas.

Then ensued considerable discussion on the matter of the chapter's responsibility for undergraduate dues for undergraduates who have requested inactive status. An amendment to the original motion was defeated, the original motion passed, a motion for its reconsideration passed, the original motion defeated, followed by the passing of the following recommendation by a 27 to 17 vote:

It is recommended that the Council enact a Rule and Regulation providing that at the discretion of the active chapter and upon a two-thirds vote of the members present in excess of a quorum, a veteran initiated prior to October 1, 1945 may be excused from all chapter and Grand Chapter financial obligations, provided such a member is not housed in the chapter house and provided further that he does not participate in any chapter activities.

The Regional Conclave adjourned at 1:10 p. m.

### F. & M.'s THREE-LETTER MAN

Robert E. Muehe, has, in addition to an enviable athletic record, a record of spirit and determination of which Phi Sigma Kappa is proud. Bob entered college in February of 1943 but November of that year found him with the U. S. Army. As a rifleman in the 104th Infantry Division he served well until captured.

Prison camp life with its starvation diet soon told on Bob and his weight dropped sixty pounds until he was down to a thin 120. At his release in May, 1945 Bob's determination helped him in his uphill comeback.

The spring of 1946 saw Bob back to his old 180 pounds, starring as first baseman on the Franklin and Marshall nine. He lead the team in runs batted in and batted a neat .275 in his first college baseball year. Later in the year he starred

again as fullback of the soccer team. Basketball season found him playing in the center slot.

Spring of 1947 finds Bob warming



ROBERT E. MUEHE

up for a full and heavy baseball schedule. As the one and only three-letter man on the campus this year, he ranks as F. & M.'s leading athlete. Pi Chapter confidently expects him to lead his team again this season.

# Brown Addresses Tennessee Greeks

Grand President Herbert L. Brown was the principal speaker at the Greek Week celebration at the University of Tennessee. He addressed an audience of 1200 fraternity men at the university gymnasium Thursday evening, April 10. Brother Brown was introduced to the assembly by Dean Dunford of the University of Tennessee.

In his address, our Grand President warned that under conditions that now prevail fraternities may be lulled into a feeling of security and forget that they have a more serious responsibility. He stated that "With the distended enrollments at nearly all institutions, chapters are almost of necessity becoming enormously large — far too large for successful operation as a fraternity, for as membership increases, the capacity of the group to fulfill its aims and purposes of service decreases almost in direct proportion. Obviously, a chapter of 50 men can operate more efficiently as a fraternity in the accepted concept of the term than can a chapter of 100.

As the pressing need for housing diminishes at our colleges — either because of decreased enrollments or because of the development of new co-operative housing projects, already in operation at some points, the support of those college administrators who now look to fraternities to furnish housing and nothing more will diminish and the anti-fraternity wolves will start to howl that these organizations can no longer serve a useful purpose at the college and hence must be eliminated. Herein rests the paradoxical position of fraternities. They are for the present sitting on top of the world but that enviable position may turn out to be a seat on top of a smouldering volcano. Now when they

are riding the crest of the wave is not the time to rest on their oars, but rather to strengthen their position by proving the college needs more than their physical assets. Now all this reasoning is admittedly predicated on the thesis that the fraternity can and must perform a more useful function with more far-reaching and lasting benefits both to its members and to the institution than merely affording housing facilities and opportunities for purely social activities. In my opinion, if a fraternity exists for no other purpose than as a boarding house and a social center to conduct periodic dances and weekly drinking parties, it has no right to be called a fraternity and no justification for existing on the campus. It must make a serious and substantial worth-while contribution to the College community and to society in general. You ask me "What is this contribution"—and my answer is, by producing men of vision, men of character, men of courage who recognize and are inspired by moral and ethical values, and who because of their having had the advantages of a fraternity are better equipped to fill their proper places in society. In that way the fraternity can serve the college and contribute substantially to its success and progress."

He continued, "How can all this be accomplished? First, let us examine the fraternity side of the question. Fraternities themselves must make their members full conscious of the responsibilities which devolve upon them. They must recognize their obligation to the college and realize that the fulfillment of that obligation, involving the type of contribution to which I have referred, must transcend in their concept of fraternity the more material and temporal so-called

benefits such as the finest chapter house, the swankiest dances, the most head-ache producing drinking parties, the wolfiest wolves among the women, etc. I know of no better method of accomplishing this objective than to keep ever before your members those ideals which form the inspiration and the foundation for your fraternal relationship.

Next, let us consider the position of the college or university in relation to the fraternity question. The minute the college administration sanctions the establishment of a chapter on its campus, it assumes the obligation to do its part in making it possible for that chapter to function as a fraternity should function. By setting up the right machinery to co-operate with fraternities, to advise wisely and to open up avenues of service, avoiding influences that tend to discourage them and to impede their efforts to attain their worthy objectives, the college can make its own valuable contribution to the satisfactory solution of the fraternity problem.

In my opinion it is almost as indefensible for the college to accept a fraternity into membership in the college community, and then either let it go its own sweet way or actually abort its efforts to operate successfully, as it is for the fraternity chapter to establish itself and then forget entirely that it is obligated to serve the college which has made its existence possible on the campus.

By this time many of you have probably reached the conclusion that I am hopelessly committed to a fraternal Utopia, utterly impossible of attainment—the ideal fraternity state in which chapter members live in perfect brotherhood, foregoing all the weaknesses of the flesh, turning out legions of Phi Bets, who later become master minds of their chosen profession or business and otherwise heaping only fame and glory upon Old Siwash. If you think that is my concept of fraternity, you have every justification for saying “Nuts! just plain nuts!” I

have no wish to see my fraternity or any other fraternity become the mother of sissies or panty-waists, nor of intellectual prodigies, but I certainly don't want to see them become the incubators for derilects, libertines, drunks and ne'er-dowells.

I would not insult your intelligence by arguing that it is possible to eradicate all of the weaknesses of fraternities, particularly so long as we have to contend with an attribute of the homo sapiens called human nature. However, it is my firm conviction that there are so many potential benefits and influences for good inherent in the fraternity system that the scales are easily tipped in their favor. Because I am so thoroughly convinced of this, I should like to,—if I may—offer an eight-point program, which in my opinion will go a long way toward proving conclusively that fraternities can be made a valuable and useful integral part of the higher educational system of this country. I do not suggest for a moment that this program is a panacea for all the evils of the fraternity system, but rather a cohesive plan for bringing out the potential benefits, inherent in the system,—benefits which, if accomplished wholly or even in large part, will relegate the charges of evil to a comparatively insignificant position.

Here briefly is the program—

(1) Every chapter should fully recognize the value of able leadership and select to lead it only men of high moral integrity who have a deep sense of responsibility and appreciation of the true concept of fraternity.

(2) A comprehensive program of pledge education and of continuous training in fundamentals after initiation should be a “must” in every successful chapter.

(3) Every group should avail itself of the services of the best possible man as Chapter Adviser or Faculty Adviser. He should be a man of vision and good judgment who is genuinely interested in the

fraternity and who is willing to devote the necessary time to it.

(4) Within the college or university administration there should be a Supervisor of Fraternities whose function would not necessarily be supervisory in a mandatory sense, but rather an agency for the proper coordination of fraternity activities with the academic as well as extra-curricular program of the institution.

(5) No effort should be spared to maintain an efficient undergraduate Interfraternity Council whose function would not be confined to complete authority over the rules and regulations governing fraternities, but would include the responsibility to explore constantly every possible avenue of service to the college.

(6) An Alumni Interfraternity Council composed of deeply interested alumni of each chapter should be established at every college. Its function would be primarily advisory, but if it were composed of the right type of men, its service might readily be extended to include a public relations job, to which such a group could bring the benefit of years of experience and valuable contacts with the outside world beyond the college campus.

(7) The National Interfraternity Conference should develop and improve its avenues of service and influence in relation to the local chapters, and also cooperate closely with colleges and universities in matters of general fraternity policy, and in the successful prosecution of a comprehensive program.

(8) Finally, it is incumbent upon every national fraternity, through its officers, to inculcate in its members the correct concept of Fraternity. They can and should be the instrumentality for keeping fraternal ideals high and upon them rests the responsibility for inspiring their brothers to a proper understanding and appreciation of those ideals.

Now I make no claim to originality in the individual points of this program. No doubt many or all of these things are being done right here at the University of Tennessee. The success of such a program will necessarily depend upon the degree of sincerity and determination with which its various phases are undertaken and the extent to which each phase can be coordinated with the plan as a whole. Remember that the primary responsibility for setting up such a program falls largely upon the shoulders of you fraternity men, for your success in doing so will be commensurate with your capacity to "sell" the idea of fraternity service to the college administration and to your membership. "By their deeds shall ye know them." If fraternities will unite in a serious crusade to prove that they do serve the best interests of our higher educational system and ultimately of society in general, they will be assured of a position of security from which the most vicious anti-fraternity propaganda will forever fail to dislodge them.

You fraternity men have a rich heritage. To you is offered an opportunity for service and loyalty to your university that is not available to those less fortunate who do not have the advantages of a fraternity. See to it that you use it wisely and that you meet the challenge in a manner that will be a credit to your institution and to your fraternity."

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### **CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA CHAPTERS OF SIGMA PHI SIGMA JOIN PHI SIGMA KAPPA**

As the SIGNET goes to press, word has been received from Regional Director of Phi Sigma Kappa Franklin C. Palm that undergraduates and alumni of Epsilon Chapter (California) of Sigma Phi Sigma will be initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa on May 16 and 17, 1947. Nevada initiation date has not yet been set. All details will appear in October SIGNET.



# Chapter Invisible

## SHERWOOD LE FEVRE

Dr. Sherwood Le Fevre, Beta '91, passed away on March 17, 1946 at the Glens Falls Hospital, Glens Falls, N. Y., of coronary thrombosis. Brother Le Fevre was the author of the final obligation of the ritual of Phi Sigma Kappa. He also wrote the opening and closing ceremony for our meetings. It is interesting to note that this phase of our ritual has stood the test of time in that it has remained unchanged. His work was presented to the fourth convention of our fraternity, held February 20, 1891, at Albany, New York. The ritual which was presented to that convention was the work of two Alden March brothers, William H. Happel, Beta '90, and George A. Williams, Beta '91. All three collaborated in the esoteric work, producing the alphabet, the calendar, the grip, the password, the secret names of the fraternity and officers, as well as the symbolic form of the chapter. In his work Brother Le Fevre used most of what had been in the old ritual as a basis for his elaboration.

Brother LeFevre was elected to the Council as Inductor at that convention and according to Rand served with commendable seriousness and made a genuine effort to interest alumni in the establishment of new chapters. He was greatly interested in expansion in the West, giving particular attention to the establishment of a chapter at Stanford which, however, was not to be realized until more than 30 years later.

It was Brother LeFevre's eloquence and persistence in the winter of 1888 that convinced Brothers Robert C. Fletcher, Gamma '92, and Charles J. Arnold, Gamma '91, then Cornell underclassmen, that they should persuade their friends to join them in petitioning Phi Sigma Kappa

for a charter. As a result, Gamma Chapter was inducted into Phi Sigma Kappa on February 26, 1889.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sherwood LeFevre, of 7 Marion Avenue, Glens Falls, New York.

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## WALTER H. ROGERS

It was recently reported that Brother Walter H. Rogers passed away several years ago. Up to the time of his death he was a member of the staff of the Stockton High School, Stockton, California.

He attended the University of California, Berkeley, California, and was a member of Omega Chapter, graduating from the University in 1930.

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## ORTEN E. DULING

Brother Orten E. Duling passed away in Missouri on May 7, 1946, it was reported by his son, Orten E. Duling, Jr.

Brother Duling attended West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia, and was a member of Delta Chapter, Class of 1915.

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## ROBERT H. HEIGHE

Brother Robert H. Heighe, Eta '05, passed away at his home in Bel Air, Maryland on April 1, 1947 at the age of 64.

He was a prominent Maryland breeder and owner of race horses and for many years his Prospect Hill Farm racing stable has been familiar to Maryland sportsmen who have followed its colors, green and white, on many race tracks. The most famous horse he ever owned was Durbar II, winner of the English Derby.

Brother Heighe is survived by his wife, Mrs. Anne McE. Heighe.

CLARK A. NEAL

First Lieutenant Clark A. Neal was reported missing in action over the Imperial Palace, Tokyo, on May 25, 1945. He served on that mission as a Co-pilot of a B-29.

Brother Neal was a member of Nu Chapter, Class of 1939.

BABYGRAMS

Linda Carroll is the name given to the three month old baby daughter of Brother and Mrs. Leslie M. Robinson. Linda made her debut to this world on February 12, weighing 6 pounds, 3 ounces. Her proud pop is a member of Lambda Deuteron, Class of 1941.

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A new additon has been made to the Thomas Danahey family in the form of a baby girl, Paulita Christina. Paulita came as a near Christmas present to the Danaheys, being born December 22, 1946. Tom, Delta Deuteron '36, and his family now reside at 762 Acacia, San Bruno, California.

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The Manard Hospital, Seattle, Washington, was the place of the birth of little Marna Ruth Woodward, daughter of Brother and Mrs. Walter B. Woodward. Brother Woodward, Lambda Deuteron '41, makes sure that everyone knows Marna Ruth tipped the scales at 6 pounds, 4 ounces at her birth, which took place on April 7, 1947 at 10:20 a.m.

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A son, Craig M., was born to Ed and Dorothy Holden on January 11, 1947. The little fellow weighed in at seven pounds. Brother Holden, Alpha Triton '40, is doing time study work for Veeder-Root Co. in Hartford.

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The stork paid a visit to the Wesleyan campus on April 5, 1947 to deliver a girl, Terry Valentine, to Carroll and Jane

Burns. Brother Burns, Alpha Triton '46, believes in getting his children into college while they're young. He reached down from his cloud to pass out cigars.

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Brother Lloyd Douglas Lowry, Phi Deuteron '46, is the proud father of an eight pound baby girl, born January 12, 1947.

Mrs. Lowry, the former Mary Jane Miller, was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority at the University of Kentucky, where Brother Lowry is finishing his academic work after several years in the army.

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Two fond fathers from Zeta Triton Chapter, Bozeman, Montana, are Dave Johns and Frank Jones. Both men were blessed with darling daughters in February, 1947.

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Brother and Mrs. Alexander P. Hutchinson are the proud parents of a son, Alexander, born February 19, 1947. Brother Hutchinson is a Cornell man, a member of Gamma Chapter, Class of 1944.

For future rushing purposes, Alexander may be reached at the home of his parents, 758 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh 21, Pennsylvania.

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Fred and Martha Jones, Delta Deuteron '35, announce another son, Robert Sherwood. Young Bob weighed in at eight pounds on February 9, 1947.

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A daughter, Demaris Jean, was born on December 8, 1946, to the Robert L. Carlsons, Delta Deuteron '42.

Make your plans now for the  
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Hearty congratulations to the Chi Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa on its fortieth anniversary. In the difficult days of transition from war to peace it has provided Williams with fine leadership, with Pete Kiernan doing an outstanding job as president of our undergraduate body and Cozy Cole piloting the Williams Christian Association.

It has been a great satisfaction to me to see all the Williams fraternities reopen after the war. While they were closed our Faculty realized more fully than before how much the Houses meant in the life of the College. The great task that confronts all the Williams fraternities today is to make of each and every one not merely a pleasant home and a delightful club but a positive, lasting force for the betterment of its members. Best wishes to Chi Chapter for the next forty years.

*Runney Baxter*

April 14, 1947



CHI CHAPTER HOUSE

# Forty Years at Williams

By FRANK PRENTICE RAND, *Chi '12* and

A. PERRY WATERMAN, *Chi '15*



HI Sigma Kappa came into Williams in 1906. The guiding hand and moving spirit was John Adams Lowe, later to become the college librarian and now Director, Public Library, Rochester, New York. Lowe assembled a group of congenial boys, three or four whom were conspicuous in campus affairs, under the name of the Phi Society, and they rented a house from Mr. Botsford across the street from the present site of The Northside School. The petition to Phi Sigma Kappa came through the person of that genial "doctor of the old school," Dr. John B. Hull. It so happened that one of the Phi men fell sick and was attended by Dr. Hull, a Phi Sigma Kappa from the Albany Medical College of Union University. Dr. Hull being the type of man that invites confidence, the patient apparently told him all about the Phi Society and its dreams of nationalization. The doctor became interested at once, got into touch with younger and more active alumni from his own chapter, and through them with the national officers of the fraternity. Phi Sigma Kappa was a young fraternity, thirty-three years old to be exact; was in the midst of a movement of conservative expansion; Williams was a fine old college of traditions and character; the petitioning group were personally attractive — hence the petition for a charter received prompt and favorable attention.

The new group purchased the property on South Street in the spring of 1911. The old house was obviously inadequate, there was very little money or administrative talent available, and there were two or three other places on the market

in some respects more desirable than the one we bought. Therefore, the purchase was finally accomplished through travail and turmoil, and in the fall of that year, the chapter moved out to what was to be known for a while at least, as "The Farm." Immediately after the war, extensive alterations and repairs were made and in many respects the house was a very pleasant and attractive home.

Of the 119 living members in 1918, 72 saw service in the armies and navies of the United States during World War I. Of this number, 39 carried commissions, 3 were designated for bravery, and 2 paid the supreme tribute of their lives.

In 1931 the old house was demolished to make way for the present structure. Perhaps it was its delightful location, which as a freshman seemed miles from the campus, but later as upper-classmen we regarded as a most desirable spot, which really charmed us. That, undoubtedly, was the reason for building the new house on the very same site. Nothing else available compared with us!

As we relive the years of Phi Sigma Kappa at Williams, there have emerged a number of outstanding and loyal brothers who gave liberally of their time and energy in the best interests of Chi. We welcome this opportunity to put into words the thanks of all the rest of us for their unselfish service. These alumni, over long periods of time, were constantly on call to lead or counsel the active chapter. John A. Lowe, of course, heads the list. During his years as College Librarian at Williams, his guidance and advice were invaluable to us at the house.

The services of Ross Lawrence, '10, as a financial adviser were invaluable.

George Carrington, '10, who died while in the service of his country, took much time from his active law practice in New York City to negotiate gratuitously for the Chi Alumni Association in connection with the acquisition of the new house. The job he did will never be forgotten.

But if we were to single out one individual who, since graduation, has done most for Chi Chapter, we would unhesitatingly and, we are sure, with the unanimous support of the entire alumni body, nominate Beverly M. Eyre, 1913. He is the one man through whose individual effort and support the chapter has survived. His associates in Alumni work take this opportunity to express their deepest gratitude. Bill Eyre, Bev's son, who was president of the house his senior year, graduated this February.

When war was declared and all fraternity life at Williams ceased, the fate of the secret societies hung in the balance. These were anxious days for us. The

house was tightly closed during the entire emergency. Unoccupancy harmed us much more than it did those more fortunate fraternities whose houses were occupied by the Navy or by the faculty. So, when the College returned to a peace-time routine once more, Phi Sig's physical plant and financial status presented, what seemed to the less optimistic, an unsurmountable problem. The one person then through whose individual effort we did survive was Ed McLean, 1924, our present president. His term of office embraced those trying years; and without his courage and devotion, it is indeed difficult to imagine what might have happened to us.

Of course, there are many others who contributed to the success of our chapter on down through the years. Bud Anthony, 1923, turned in a wonderful job as head of the Alumni Association, over a long period of service. Sam Bacon, 1916, until recently Alumni Adviser, was a great help to the active chapter. Stan



CHI CHAPTER'S OLD HOUSE

Benton, 1910, who seems to be always available at nearby Pittsfield, is another generous contributor. Nor must we forget the present Alumni Treasurer, Hank Lester, 1914, who certainly deserves a vote of thanks for his fine work.

Chi Chapter has, among its more than 300 alumni, an enviable number of leaders in education and business, in law and medicine. We are proud of these individuals for their special achievements; but we are much more concerned with the attachment they maintain for their fraternity and the continuance of good fellowship between them and the men now in college.

It may be of interest that the chapter has contributed three national officers to Phi Sigma Kappa; both Brothers Lowe and Rand served as Editor of THE SIGNET, Grand Secretary, and on the Court of Honor, and Brother Ross Lawrence served for several years as Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary.

The present active chapter is a fine group—one of the best in our memory. It includes many veterans who have developed a more mature point of view than existed in pre-war chapters. We are pleased with their seriousness, their industry and their cooperation. They can be assured of our strong and continued support. The Alumni Council is committed, without reservation, to a policy of mutual cooperation. With this spirit at Chi, we know their contribution



R. ROSSMAN LAWRENCE

to their college and fraternity in scholarship, as well as outside activities, will be great.

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### M. E. HOPKINS

The SIGNET would be remiss in publishing this section of the SIGNET if it did not make special mention of the excellent services performed for Phi Sigma Kappa by the late Brother M. E. Hopkins, Chi '09, as Special Deputy of the Council during the academic year 1939-1940. Brother Hopkins passed away August 27, 1945. (See May, 1946 SIGNET, Page 151.)

# Chi Chapter

*"Sing to Chi as proudly we tell,  
How 'neath Mount Greylock's dome,  
The truest sons of old Williams dwell,  
In this our mountain home."*

*From The Old Old Toast*  
FRANK PRENTICE RAND, *Chi '12*



IN SEPTEMBER 8, 1755, Colonel Ephriam Williams lost his life in the battle of Lake George. By the provisions of his will, a fund of \$9,157.00 was bequeathed for the establishment of a free school in a locality known as West Township, the name of which was later changed to Williamstown. The trustees of the estate organized a lottery and solicited subscriptions from the townspeople to supplement this fund, and in October, 1791, this free school opened its doors to twenty students in the building known as West College. In 1793, the legislature of Massachusetts passed an act of incorporation changing the school into the second college to be established in Massachusetts. Ebenezer Fitch became its first president. Thus was born Williams College in the shadow of the Berkshire Hills, the institution that was to become home and Alma Mater to many thousands of men. Today West College still stands, but the school about it has grown to proportions hardly dreamed of by Colonel Williams. The fund of the estate has grown to a twelve million dollar endowment, and the ranks of the student body have increased to over a thousand. Since 1793 Williams has taken a progressive part in the education of America's youth, and sons of Williams have distinguished themselves in many and varied fields of endeavor. Through the medium of personal education, under the leadership of such outstanding men as Mark Hopkins, Harry A. Garfield and James P.

Baxter III, the present president of the College, Williams men have been given advantages beyond the scope of larger, more impersonal colleges and universities. Carrying on the traditions learned and practiced while on this campus, Williams Alumni have gone into the world, and many notable names will be found on their roster.

It was in these surroundings that Chi Chapter was founded in 1906. In April or early May of 1905, a group of students at Williams organized a local society known as the Phi Society. The spirit of this group is well expressed in the words of one of its original members, William R. Stocking: "I hope Chi will always stand for two things: democracy and clean men." On June 16, 1906, John Adams Lowe and twenty-three members were initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa and Chi Chapter was founded. The original members of the society had planned to become a part of a national organization. One of them revealed this in a letter to his brothers when he said "May the good work continue and soon may Phi add more letters to its name." It was therefore with great eagerness and anticipation that Phi Sigma Kappa was greeted on the campus, particularly by her first initiates, John Adams Lowe, Charles Harrison Demond, Charles B. Gale, Homer Payson Little, Clinton Burnett Wilbur, Harry Cleveland Blagerugh, Arthur Milton Brown, Roy Herbert Case, Boyd McCleary, William B. Osborne Jr., Samuel Baker Stocking, Leopold Livingston Wilder, Brinton Payne Allen, Charles Frederick Nelson, Carl



Wheeler Rand, Walter W. Scofield Jr., Noble Wyman Sheldon, Robert Elmer Brody, Daniel Lowe Bridgeman, Robert Edmund Sears, Lyman Eldridge, Richard Rossman Lawrence, Mahlon Ernest Hopkins and William Roy Gallup. To these men Chi Chapter owes its birth, and its deepest thanks, for without their spirit and determination, we would not have known the bond of brotherhood.

Throughout the years Chi Chapter continued to grow, ever increasing the strength of its position among the sixteen social units on Williams campus. When World War II began, Chi faced the problem of hurrying men through college before they entered the service. The halls of the house, already busy, became even more active. Emergency measures were installed to take care of the unprecedented speed-up program as the ranks of men were depleted by more and more Williams men answering the call of their country. To the gallant sons of Williams who contributed a notable share to the war effort, Chi lent some of her best. The walls of the Thompson Memorial Chapel today bear the names of Brothers Ray Rode, Chester Lyman Kingsbury, Roy Bennett Anderson and Evan Acklin who made the supreme sacrifice so that democracy could survive. In June of 1943, Chi Chapter, along with the fourteen other Williams fraternities, became inactive, as did many peacetime Williams traditions. The gray flannels and dirty saddle shoes of the normal college year were replaced by navy blues as the campus was converted to a training station for students in the Navy V-12 Program. Through the years of Navy occupation, the chapter stood locked, waiting for the return of the men who were to open it again and re-establish Chi's position in campus activities.

All over the country fraternity chapters are composed of a high percentage of returning veterans. Here at Williams the

situation is normal, and in our discussions, the inevitable "war story" has taken over as king of the topics. Although exaggeration is the rule rather than the exception, our chapter is proud of the role it played and of some of the stories the boys can tell. Anytime around midnight, one can hear the old familiar



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WILLIAMS COLLEGE

words "... And there I was ..." Then the story might go on "coming in on a potato field during a blizzard with three engines out, somewhere in France." Brother Al Clark can really tell this story. It all turned out well in the end, when friendly French citizens, aided by the FFI, helped the flyers out even to the extent of giving them their own short rations. Al was a B-17 navigator in the Eighth Air Force during his thirty-three missions.

Brother Wells Adams, our current treasurer, was not so lucky. On his first mission with the Fifteenth Air Force,

he was shot down and held prisoner for ten months. Pledge Chapin Weed holds the Distinguished Flying Cross as well as the Air Medal for his services as an

Tinian and with the Thirteenth in the Philippines. Dave Traylor, Bruce Davy, Al Crane and Larry Pulliam were also with the Air Forces.

Brother Walt Lehmann and Pledge Howie Simpson were the only Chi men in the infantry. Walt had the doubtful honor of serving on both sides with the Eighty-Sixth Division. Shortly after V-E day he was shipped from the ETO to the Philippines with his division, in which he served as an anti-tank gunner. Howie was with the Seventy-Eighth Division. Our only M.P. was Brother Dick Martin, who, fortunately for the chapter, put away his belligerency with his M.P.'s armband.



Left to right, Didier, Hammel and Ash.

aerial gunner and engineer. Down Italy way, Brother Vic Jevon rose to T/Sgt. flying his thirty-one missions as a radio operator. Vic hasn't looked at a radio since, preferring the sound of the grand piano in the living room.

On the other side of the world Chi Chapter was also represented in the Air Forces. Brother Paul Didier won the DFC, the Air Medal with clusters, and the Purple Heart flying in a B-29 with the Twentieth Air Force. His crew was



Giving concentrated attention to their cards are, left to right, Pulliam, Elliot and Hemstreet.



Left to right, Traylor and Cole.

in the first strike over Tokyo. Paul was a power plant specialist and right blister gunner. His record further shows that he shot down three Jap aircraft with two others as probables. Brother John Townsend also served in the Twentieth on

The navy was equally well represented. Brother Irv Clarke served aboard the U.S.S. Bache and U.S.S. Tollberg, winning two battle stars at Iwo Jima and Okinawa. Irv was a fighter direction and radar officer. Brothers Ken Brown, Stan Tefft and Jack Hammel were also Naval Reserve officers. Ken and Jack were in the Pacific while Stan served in Europe and in the Middle East. To round out the navy ranks, Ed Madden, Elt Williams, Mike McKay, Bill Mann, Bill Wood, Proc Waterman, Frank Ash and Wyatt Uhlein were also men of the sea. Harry Elliot, Dick Kilian and Chuck Alberti were in the Naval Air Corps.

Brothers Graham Gray and Mike Carter were Chi's representatives in the

Marine Corps. Graham was a member of the original landing party in Tokyo Bay just after the surrender. Mike was in China with the Army of Occupation.

Brothers Cozy Cole and Dud Hawley were both volunteers in the American Field Service. Cozy served in Italy, while Dud spent his time on the other side of the world, in India. Brother Starr King was one of those who kept the lifelines of supply open as an ensign in the Merchant Marine, appropriately serving on the USS Williams Victory, named after his alma mater and christened by the wife of its president, Mrs. James P. Baxter III.

After V-J Day the brothers started drifting back, and in June, 1946 plans



On floor, Martin; at radio, Delphin; at desk, McKay.

were made to reopen the fraternities on the Williams campus. Chi was represented by fourteen of the pre-war brothers. The date of Chi's fortieth anniversary was spent not with banquets and speeches, but by the brothers working in the house to restore it to its pre-war splendor. Throughout the summer, these men contributed their time and effort to erase the ravages of three vacant years. Week-ends found the men of Chi wielding a paint brush or pushing a lawn mower. With the able assistance of the wives of four of the returning brothers, who had wooed and wed during their absence from Williams, the drapes and pictures were hung, and the silence which had echoed through the halls of

the chapter house was once again replaced by the activities of men. By mid-August, when the first post-war rushing was held, the house on South Street had come back to life, and anyone entering



This table gabfest has as its participants, left to right, Townsend, Williams, Lultas, Cole, Messimer, Waiter, Lehmann.

its halls would scarcely have realized that the chapter had been inactive for such a long time. During the rushing period the men of Chi worked long and hard to secure a delegation worthy of membership in Phi Sigma Kappa. Their efforts were rewarded with one of the best pledge groups on the Williams Campus, and Chi faced the restoration of the fraternity system at Williams as one of the strongest houses at the college.



Left to right, Lawton, Killian and Cole.

The fall semester found the lights on in the houses on Fraternity Row, and among the brightest of these was Phi Sigma Kappa. Through the efforts of the officers elected in the summer, the

brothers returning to Williams for the beginning of the first normal college semester since before the war, found that the house was operating at its usual high



It appears to be date making time for, left to right, Austin and Delphin.

degree of efficiency. With the help of the men pledged and initiated during the post-war period, Chi once again came through with an outstanding pledge group, and the ranks of the chapter were up to a pre-war level of 23 actives and 21 pledges. Today, Chi consists of 44 members and 7 pledges.

To the officers of Chi Chapter who served during this crucial period, the chapter owes a hearty and sincere vote of thanks, with particular gratitude go-



Some of Chi's brothers get together for a Phi Sig songfest.

ing to Brother William Eyre, who was our first post-war president. Our thanks are also forthcoming to the Alumni Association of Chi Chapter, without whose

invaluable aid much would have had to be left undone.

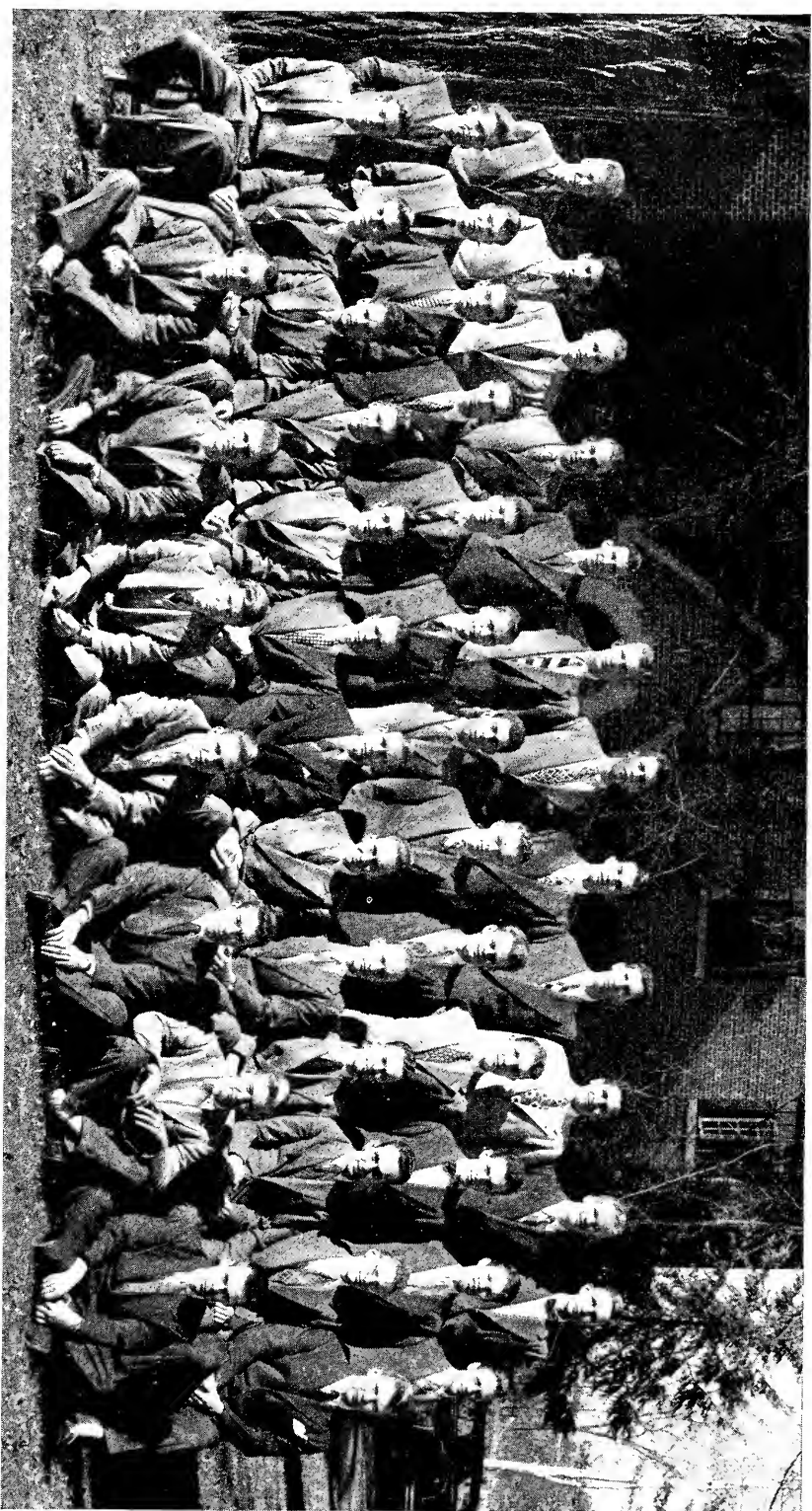
Today, under the leadership of Charles F. Cole, president, Chi Chapter faces the future with bright hopes which have the prospect of becoming even brighter realities. The officers of the house are a group of outstanding men. Brother Henry Lukas is our vice-president and our smiling and hearty rushing chairman. Brother Messimer is our secretary, and Brothers Elt Williams and Mike Carter are inductor and sentinel respectively. Brother Welles Adams has done a fine job as treasurer. Brother Perry Waterman is our Chapter Adviser, and his help



This studious couple is, left to right, Couch and Hammel.

has been most valuable. Professor Vincent Barnett of the Political Science Department has graciously consented to serve as Faculty Adviser to the chapter. We are hoping that by working with him we will be able to maintain and strengthen cooperation between the fraternity and the faculty of the college.

Phi Sigma Kappa is well represented in all activities on the Williams College campus, and through the efforts of the men in these activities even greater participation is being urged, especially among the underclassmen who will carry on the name of Chi in future years. Brother David Traylor is president of the Cap and Bells, the college dramatic society, and chairman of the *Purple Cow*, the campus magazine, which, like our



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Left to right, first row: Madden, Elliot, Hemstreet, Messiner, Smith, Hammel and Martin. Second row: Ievon, G. Gray, Adams, Wherret, R. Gray, Cole, Eyre, Traylor, I. Clark, Didier, Davey, Townsend and Lukas. Third row: K. Brown, Tefft, Mann, Williams, Frimpter, Lehmann, H. Clark, Underhill, Pulliam, O'Brien, Carter, Ark and W. Brown. Top row: Kilian, Delfin, Norris, Hawley, King, Couch, Austin, Thompson, Lawton, Alberti, Weeth and Waterman.

chapter, was founded in 1906. Brother Charles (Cozy) Cole was college rushing chairman for the Interfraternity Council. Brother Cole was also president of the Williams Christian Association and chairman of the College Houseparty Committee. Brother Lukas is an outstanding member of the football and wrestling teams. It was Hank and his teammates who brought Williams a hard earned victory against Amherst in our first post-war football season. While on the subject of athletics, Brother John Weeth was a member of the Williams College mile relay team which took first place in the Boston Knights of Columbus Meet and the Millrose AA Games this winter. Brother Mann is an outstanding member of the Squash team, while Brother Delfin represents the managerial end as manager of varsity track. Other organizations headed by members of Chi include the Williams Lecture Committee under the chairmanship of Brother Irv Clarke, the football band, managed by Dud Hawley, and the Amateur Radio Club of which Brother Jack Townsend is president.

Among the soon-to-graduate upper classmen are many men of Chi who have been prominent in campus activities but who have since turned over the duties of their offices to underclassmen. Among these are Brother Dick Gray, former secretary of the Student Activities Council and formerly a member of the Undergraduate Council. Brother Cole has been president of the Sophomore Class and treasurer of the Undergraduate Council. Brother Jack Austin has been advertising manager of the *Williams Record*, the college newspaper. Aside from the men holding these offices in the various campus activities,

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the house is represented in practically every extra-curricular field at Williams. It is hoped and believed that under the guidance of these men, who have contributed so much to the life of the college and the reputation of Chi, the underclassmen will carry on this tradition, and that Phi Sigma Kappa will retain its reputation on the Williams Campus as a house of leaders.

The scholastic attainments of the house have been brought to a level well above pre-war standards. 25 per cent of the house are on the Dean's List of the college. The Scholarship Committee, under the guidance of Brother Bruce C. Davey, has served to help those members of the house who have experienced difficulties with their studies. We are hoping that in the future, the fraternity will continue to take an active part in fostering scholastic activities and in establishing a liaison between the faculty and the students in order that the members of Chi may get the most out of their opportunities at Williams.

The future looks bright for Chi and the men of Chi. The chapter has been growing progressively stronger since its official reopening last fall. We are hoping that by achieving a policy of even closer cooperation between the alumni, the faculty, and the active chapter we may continue to rise, and that the future will see Chi Chapter a unit of which all may be justly proud, and in which the Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa will be a driving force in developing future sons of Williams.

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*In closing the  
CHI SECTION*

*of this Signet  
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**PHI SIGMA KAPPA**

*we are proud to present the  
picture of Thompspon Memorial Chapel  
where College Chapel Services are held.*





# The Bright Passage

## A Book Review



By

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Chi '06

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Council, 1914-1919; Director  
Public Library, Rochester, New  
York; *Who's Who in America*,  
1946-1947

The *Bright Passage* is one of the most heart warming and challenging books about Europe that has been published for a long, long time. Maurice Hindus restores faith in the potentiality of men to resolve problems through this fascinating, convincing and newsworthy appraisal of Czechoslovakia, the country, its leaders and its way of life. A revolution, an experiment, a pioneering for a new principle and a new method of social and economic adjustment is going on in that little country so strategically located in the turmoil of Europe. In its own peaceful and bold manner it worked out a pattern for its future which may have vital significance for other states not only in Europe but across the world.

He wrote "Consider these rather startling facts, in Czechoslovakia East and West meet not only geographically but culturally; here the Communist is powerful, the Catholic politically strong; here individualism and collectivism strive side by side; here humanism and Marxism are having a continuous rendezvous; here statism and democracy dwell under

the same roof; here the contentions and contradictions that beset other nations; the pressures and challenges not only of history but of the big powers, are ever present as the sky. Yet here, instead of conflict, there is reconciliation, instead of fratricidal strife there is social adaptation."

The Czechs are an unusual people. Emotionally and physically healthy, they venerate knowledge rather than military glory, and they know how to make the most of what they have. These virtues, plus natural resources, have given them Europe's highest standard of living. Mr. Hindus detects flaws in the new Czechoslovakia and foresees dangers. The greatest of these is external, a clash between the United States or with Russia. Internal danger would stem from an attempt by the Czech Communists impelled by Russia or their own desires to seize and maintain power in Prague. The Czechs have made it plain that they will not willingly submit to dictatorship.

In his usual manner of treatment, the author deals fundamentally with the



people, their thinking, ideals, action. He records interviews with two different Catholic priests who in their cells had hung portraits of Stalin along side their crucifixes. One had fought as a partisan with the Red Army, the other had survived in a Nazi concentration camp. Communist party leaders welcome Catholics into their ranks. Communist headquarters makes no discrimination because of religious affiliation. Catholics and Communists work side by side with one aim — the regeneration and strengthening of the country.

If the great powers spare Czechoslovakia from outside pressures, Hindus maintains, and if the Czechs and Slovaks remain united internally, their great experiment will work for the benefit not only of themselves but of all mankind.

Mr. Hindus has written these books about Czechoslovakia: *The Bright Passage* (1947) records how rapidly the Czechs and Slovaks have since the war been restoring their old peace time prosperity; *We Shall Live Again* (1939) was an account of the country in the pre-Munich period; and *To Sing With Angels* (1941) was a novel of the struggle of a Czech village against the German invaders.

### FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATED BY LAMBDA

In Washington, D. C. about 80 members of Phi Sigma Kappa banqueted on Sunday, March 16, at the Kennedy-Warren Hotel. Of those present about 40 were alumni members of the fraternity. Regional Director W. Barrett Fuchs was a guest and Brother Thomas Jackson acted as toastmaster. The speaker was Brother John Remon, Epsilon Deuteron '09, Vice-President of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Companies. Brother Remon is a Trustee of Worcester Polytechnic Institute and last year was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Engineering by his Alma

Mater. Beginning his telephone career upon graduation, he has had experience with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company in Baltimore and New York. Since 1925 he has been associated with the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Companies, holding the position of General Traffic Manager until 1936,



JOHN A. REMON

when he became Vice-President. At the present, Brother Remon is a Director of the American Security and Trust Company, Washington, D. C., Chairman, River and Harbor Improvement Committee, Washington Board of Trade, President, Washington Criminal Justice Association, President, Boys' Club of Metropolitan Police, D. C., Member, Board of Corporators, Episcopal Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital, Past President and Honorary President of the American Power Boat Association.

The meeting was an inspiring one and should materially assist the active chapter and stimulate increased activity among the alumni in Lambda Club.

Diamond Jubilee Convention  
Phi Sigma Kappa  
New England, 1948

# Summer Rushing Chairmen

Please send all leads on rushing prospects to the rushing chairmen listed below for those chapters by whom you wish your rushee to be entertained:

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Washington, D. C.

KAPPA—Penn. State College  
Donald Hart  
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State College, Pa.

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Illinois  
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EPSILON DEUTERON—Worcester  
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College  
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# Phi Sigma Kappa

By RALPH J. WATTS

(Continued from March 1947 SIGNET)

1932 - 1934

THE biennium 1932-1934 was to be in many respects the most critical of any in a quarter of a century. Fortunately the elections of the 1932 Convention had brought to the board of directors but one new member, John F. Humes as successor to Lafean. Of chief importance, however, had been the choice of Lafean as President. Since 1924 he had been an active leader at national conventions, and since 1926 had served as Vice-president from Region II. For many years prior to 1924, however, he had been successfully promoting the alumni club at Pittsburgh. Therefore, he came to this high office with adequate experience and preparation, and with an intimate knowledge of the problems confronting the order. He also brought an insight into the fundamental objectives of fraternalism, an affection for Phi Sigma Kappa and a sense of loyalty which was to impose a heavy burden upon him during the following years.

Therefore, while the problems of this period were of unusual complexity, there was available to administer the affairs of the Fraternity a Council which, under the leadership of Lafean, was perhaps the most competent in the history of Phi Sigma Kappa.

No changes were made in the appointed officers. Watts continued as Secretary-Treasurer, Burrows as Editor of *THE SIGNET*, and Foster as trustee of the endowment fund.

The Council at its meeting immediately following the adjournment of the Ashville convention, recognized the serious conditions confronting several chapters and voted "To authorize the President to appoint at his discretion special deputies to assist chapters needing special assistance, and to compensate such deputies for their services."

Under this authorization the Council in the succeeding four years was to spend \$6075.00 for assistance at chapters.

Further development of the accounting system and of the Brooks movietone project was referred to the newly created budget committee.

The Council meeting in 1933 was held at Chicago in the closing days of August. The two day session was preceded by conferences held between the President and individual members of the Council. A delegation from the Supreme Court met with the Council at all sessions. The opening session, on the invitation of the President, was attended by five members of the Chicago alumni club and by the undergraduate president of the Knox chapter; the national officers were luncheon guests



RAYMOND G. LAFEAN

of the Chicago club on August 28th. A special conference of the regional Vice-presidents was held, at which Schoening discussed in detail the revised uniform accounting system now developed to its maximum efficiency.

Numerous questions of administrative policy presented by the President were discussed at length. Affirmative action on some of these was taken, while final action on other issues was deferred until the following meeting. Batt presented a comprehensive report on chapter By-laws which problem he had been investigating during the previous months. Batt, also with his characteristic clarity, submitted an interpretation of the emergency fund legislation adopted by the 1932 Convention, thereby facilitating the details of its administration.

The Brooks movietone project was further advanced by authorizing the production of a sound motion picture, the expense of which was to be borne in part by private contributions made for this purpose and in part from the operating budget of the Council.

As the difficulties confronting various chapters affected the financial position of the national organization, consideration was given to the desirability of omitting the 1934 Convention, as an economic measure. However, the events of the year to follow were of such a character as to make this omission unnecessary.

These busy sessions of the Council which had been efficiently organized under the skillful leadership of Lafean, adjourned with the conviction in the minds of the national officers that definite progress had been made in the analysis and solution of many of the fundamental problems confronting the Fraternity at that period, and that the foundation was being laid for larger achievements in the years to follow.

At the meeting of the Council immediately preceding the Convention held at Ann Arbor in 1934, many of the proposals for legislation and for improvement of the administrative organization which had been submitted and discussed at the 1933 meeting, were presented for formal action and several of them were laid before the Convention and favorably voted upon.

In May, 1933 the undergraduates of Theta Chapter formally requested the Council to suspend its charter. This petition the Council granted at its meeting in August, 1933. For several years conditions at Columbia University had been unfavorable for the maintenance of fraternities on a satisfactory basis. It was with sincere regret that the Council recognized the inability of this chapter to carry on successfully. One of the pioneer units in Phi Sigma Kappa, it had for many years maintained a most creditable record of achievement and attracted to its membership many men who had made a significant contribution to this fraternity and who had won distinction in their chosen professions.

Because of the condition of the treasury, it was deemed by the Council inadvisable to encourage the attendance of national officers at Founders' Day meetings in 1933 and 1934. In place of the visitation of national officers which in previous years had been made to many of the chapters and clubs on this important anniversary, a special Founders' Day address was prepared by the President and Secretary and distributed to officers of the chapters and clubs in 1933. The selection of Founders' Day orators from local alumni was encouraged, who should present the message supplied them. At Alpha chapter Dr. "Joe" Root dramatically delivered this address, which he had memorized.

In order to add to the revenue of the Council, voluntary alumni subscriptions to THE SIGNET were invited. For many years previous to this, THE SIGNET had been sent without charge to any alumnus requesting it, and this policy manifestly had

grown to be an expensive one. During this biennium, 224 alumni responded, paying \$456.00 into THE SIGNET fund.

During this period various special projects for the assistance of the chapters were undertaken. Chief among these were the preparation of an outline of rushing procedure for use by chapter officers, a rushing circular, and an illustrated pledge manual the first of a series of such publications. The accounting system was completed and put into operation, and further progress was made in the endeavor to make the chapters scholarship conscious. The practice was continued of supplying for the parents of each pledge, a letter of greeting and information from the President. Frequent letters for the guidance and encouragement of chapters were prepared by the President or Secretary. For the Council there was prepared a manual of information and statistics known as the "Pulse".

### *THE 1934 CONVENTION — ANN ARBOR*

The 1934 Convention was held at Ann Arbor and opened under unusually auspicious circumstances. The President and Secretary had made careful plans for the organization of the Convention and in many ways it was to be the most colorful, and most productive of constructive legislation of any within the memory of the oldest leaders present.

For the first time in a quarter of a century a Convention convened without the presence of Past Chancellor Root. Since 1910 until his death, he had served as a member of the Court. During these years he had attended not only every Convention, but numerous official functions of alumni clubs and chapters, especially in New England and New York where his presence at initiation banquets and other similar affairs was annually sought. In the minds of successive generations of undergraduates, "Joe" Root personified probably better than any other individual with whom they were acquainted, the essential characteristics of fraternalism.

Founder Brooks was present, and this was to be his last appearance at a Convention. Four former Grand Presidents attended: McIntyre, Conley, Burrows and Batt.

Prior to the Convention adequate publicity had been given of the event to chapters, clubs and alumni, with the result that the attendance was better than usual. On the platform were arranged seats and work desks for members of the Council; members of the Supreme Court occupied seats on the main floor and in front of the desk of the presiding officer. An American and a Phi Sigma Kappa flag and a reproduction in silk of the fraternity insignia had been manufactured and were used for platform adornment for the first time. The Convention hall was decorated with photographs of chapter houses and with felt banners of the institutions at which Phi Sigma Kappa is represented. There were also on exhibition copies of chapter publications and charts illustrating the progress of the Fraternity. Convention registration and management of details was in the hands of Edward Knoble and Glen Templeman, who had served as special deputies of the Council during the preceding months. Convention headquarters were at the Michigan Union; here and at the Michigan League nearly all national officers and guests were accommodated. The undergraduate delegates and chapter advisers were entertained at the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity house and at the house of Delta Sigma Delta, which was placed at the disposal of the Convention committee for this purpose.

The informal meeting of the Convention, including members and guests, convened August 8, at 2:15 under the leadership of Frank Smith, the regional Vice-

president. The invocation was given by Brother Stewart W. Herman of Rho Deuteron, attending his first Convention. Following the customary exchange of greetings, the Convention was formally opened by Founder Brooks, and later Lafean took the chair as presiding officer.

The Convention program which had now become somewhat standardized, included written reports by the national officers, and reports by the chapter delegates and alumni club officials; separate conferences of chapter advisers, undergraduate delegates, and alumni club secretaries were held for the consideration of problems of special interest to each of these groups.

The recess committee on legislation presented a comprehensive report, as a result of which legislation was enacted covering the following:

1. The adoption of the "Creed of Phi Sigma Kappa" prepared by Stewart W. Herman.

2. The adoption of the "Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa" prepared by Watts.

3. The granting of charters by the Council after favorable recommendation of the Conclave of the region in which the petitioning chapter should be located and with the approval of the Supreme Court. Previously, Convention action had been required by the By-laws for the granting of charters. The new legislation, however, provided that after there should be sixty chapters on the fraternity roll, the granting of further charters would require the approval of the General Convention.

4. The appointment of an alumni secretary who should serve as a liaison between the Council and the general alumni body.

5. The appointment of a Grand Chapter Chaplain who should perform such duties as should be assigned him by the Council.

6. The elimination of the stipulation that of each Grand Chapter tax paid into the treasury of the national organization, \$10.00 should be set aside for the traveling expense of undergraduate delegates and chapter advisers to the General Convention. Hereafter such expenses would be appropriated from the general funds of the fraternity.

7. Amendments to the trust agreement, clarifying its provisions.

8. Establishment of undergraduate dues of \$2.00 per year effective October 1, 1935 and of alumni dues of \$3.00 per year. This legislation represented an important modification of policy and appropriately involved lengthy discussion by the delegates. However, the necessity of increasing the revenue of the Grand Chapter was apparent, and the legislation, as finally enacted, met with unanimous and willing support.

Any member making a payment of \$50.00 at one time, which amount should be placed in the endowment fund, was to become a "life member" and exempt from the assessment of annual dues. Subsequently the term "life member" was recognized as inappropriate and those contributing \$50.00 to the endowment fund were to be designated as "endowment donors".

One of the beneficial innovations of the 1934 Convention was that of scheduling the convention banquet for the evening preceding the final business session. In previous years the banquet had been the final event and frequently many of the delegates did not attend. At this banquet Dr. Conley presided and addresses were given by John Adams Lowe, Stewart W. Herman, and Senator M. M. Neely; the historic movietone and film, which had been prepared by Schoening were presented.

Members of the Council expressed regret that a sufficient amount of money had not been spent on this important project to insure a production of higher quality.

The Convention closed with the election of Don A. Hamilton as President, and he was inducted into office by the authorized ritual.

A review of this two year period should conclude with a further reference to the outstanding service of Lafean. Possessing unusual qualities as a leader and organizer, he had dedicated these talents to the welfare of the Fraternity with a devotion unsurpassed in the history of the order. During his term as President he visited eleven alumni clubs and twenty-four chapters. In the winter of 1933 he had left his business for a two month's trip of inspection of the chapters on the west coast. He presented to the Council numerous constructive ideas and projects; with respect to many he had insisted upon legislation being formulated and enacted which should inject into the national structure many improvements, upon which he had been reflecting for some years and which he regarded as essential for the progress of the order. He had constantly on his mind and heart the serious problems involved if adequate service to the chapters was to be rendered; the one thing he coveted was adequate financial resources with which to meet the needs as he saw them. However, during this period no financial aid within the power of the President to extend was withheld from any chapter in distress, and special deputy service was by him recruited, trained and placed at the disposal of those chapters most needing such assistance.

Lafean's report as President presented at the 1934 Convention so clearly defines the problems of the period and so effectively portrays the quality of his own leadership and achievements that it is reprinted in full as a supplement to this history.

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Brother **Henry L. Carleton**, Lambda Deuteron '29, was recently appointed assistant manager of Fireman's Fund and Western National Indemnity Companies for the Southern California Department, and has taken up his new duties in the Fidelity Building, 6th & Spring Streets, Los Angeles, California. He also becomes assistant manager of the automobile department for all companies of Fireman's Fund Group, and will be associated with George W. McKay, manager of casualty and automobile operations.

A native New Yorker, Brother Carleton completed his education at the University of Washington and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He joined the Seattle staff of Fireman's Fund in 1935, five years later transferring to Portland as engineer-special agent in the automobile and casualty departments. From 1943 to 1946 he served in the navy, and returned to Fireman's Fund to brush up for his present assignment.

#### **MARLOWE CHOSEN LEXINGTON'S OUTSTANDING YOUNG MAN OF 1946**

Mark V. Harlowe, Phi Deuteron '37, was recognized by the Lexington Junior Chamber of Commerce as the community's outstanding young man of 1946.

Brother Marlowe was spoken of as a man who places service above self. His record includes participation in all major Junior Chamber of Commerce projects; promotion of the Lexington Trots, bringing to Lexington of the Louisville Philharmonic, work on the drive for funds for the U.K. Athletic Fund, for the projected Central Baptist Hospital, the Community Chest and the Red Cross, work as chairman of the Bluegrass Area Post-war Planning Committee, executive committee of Kentucky Medical Association Scholarship drive, Kentucky Save the Children Federation, member of the Optimist and Lexington Clubs, and chairman of the Phi Sigma Kappa Alumni Association.

### PHILADELPHIA CLUB REORGANIZED

The Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Philadelphia was reorganized November, 1946 under the direction of Donald M. Soltenberger and Herbert L. Brown. 125 brothers in the Philadelphia area signified that they would be interested in reviving the Club.

The officers elected included Brothers "Billy" McIntyre, president; Sam Phillips, vice-president; Walt Camenisch, secretary-treasurer.

A Program Committee of six was appointed to arrange for the monthly meetings.

Rather than have a regular meeting in April they asked the support of their membership in attending the Mu Chapter's Founders' Day banquet which was held March 29 at the University Club. Quite a few of the members attended and had a very enjoyable time.

Welcome is extended any Phi Sig who happens to be in Philadelphia on meeting day to attend the gathering at the University Club, 16th & Locust Streets.

### MU CHAPTER BANQUETS ON FOUNDERS' DAY

Over eighty alumni and brothers in the active chapter attended Mu's Founders' Day Banquet which celebrated the 48th year of the chapter's existence. It was held on Saturday, March 29, at the plush University Club in downtown Philadelphia.

Robert McCray Green, Mu '25, president of the University Club, was the very able toastmaster. Those he called upon to speak were: Dr. Frederick Collier, Mu '06, President Bert Brown, Phi '16, and Chapter President Bud Roney, who greeted everyone and introduced to the alumni the president-elect, "Mike" Michel. The presence of eight alumni and actives from Nu Chapter was also acknowledged by Brother Roney.

The principal speaker of the evening

was Brother Cedric Foster, an alumni of Dartmouth's Tau Chapter, and Chief News Analyst of the Yankee Broadcasting Network. Brother Foster's address held us enthralled by the eloquence of his words and delivery. He gave an incisive analysis of the background of the Balkan situation and the loan to Greece and Turkey. He also gave a recap of significant events from war to war and the growth of Russian dominance in the world. Brother Foster said that there are no frontiers left for America and that it is of necessity that the United States protect its own interests by aiding grief stricken Greece and turbulent Asia Minor. His words "the chips are down — America must know her friends" will linger long in our minds.

The annual get-together ended with the alumni realizing the needs of the chapter and their pledging to help overcome them.

### DETROIT CLUB BANQUET

The Alumni Club of Detroit celebrated the 74th Annual Founders' Day Banquet on March 15, in the Statler Hotel, Detroit, Michigan.

A. Colton Park, '35, was chairman of the affair, and Justin C. Weaver, '31, was the capable toastmaster. The Banquet was very well attended, and among those present were twenty of the twenty-nine men recently pledged by the Delta Deuteron Chapter.

T. Hawley Tapping, the General Secretary of the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan, and Brother Ernest B. McCoy, '29, who is Assistant to the Director of Athletics of the University of Michigan, were the principal speakers for the evening. Both men told of the many problems facing the universities during this critical postwar period. Mr. Tapping also had many nice things to say concerning the fine record the Delta Deuteron Chapter has maintained on the Michigan Campus.



PHI SIGMA KAPPA  
FOUNDERS DAY MARCH 15, 1947  
DETROIT



# PHI SIGMA KAPPA GUEST REGISTER

NAME	ADDRESS	CHAPTER AND CLASS	COLLEGE	DATE
Thomas A. Prather	Hickman, Ky.	Phi Deuteron '47	U. of Ky.	Sep. 3, 1946
Leonard P. Weber	Chicago, Ill.			Sep. 3, 1946
L. G. Balfour	Attleboro, Mass.	Sigma Chi	Indiana	Sep. 4, 1946
Paul R. Lawrence, Jr.	Chicago, Ill.	Phi Delta Theta	Williams	Sep. 7, 1946
Georgia M. Lawrence	Chicago, Ill.			Sep. 7, 1946
Nancy T. Ackerman	Kalamazoo, Mich.		Knox	Sep. 7, 1946
Henry H. Sauer	Boulder, Col.	Beta Triton '42	Knox	Sep. 9, 1946
N. W. Cusick	Chicago Heights, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '42	Illinois	Sep. 9, 1946
M. J. Fairweather	Palo Alto	Nu Deuteron '41	Stanford	Sep. 10, 1946
Irving G. Pesek	Berwyn, Ill.			Sep. 10, 1946
Donald H. Cornell	Akron, Ohio	Eta Triton '39	Akron	Sep. 12, 1946
Wm. F. Gott	Charleston, W. Va.	Delta '46	U. of W. Va.	Sep. 16, 1946
Eugene R. Russell	Des Plaines, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '41	Illinois	Sep. 19, 1946
Thomas G. Gountanis	Billings, Montana	Zeta Triton '49	Montana	Sep. 24, 1946
Robert Shaw	Int'l. Falls, Minn.	Beta Deuteron '48	U. of Minn.	Sep. 27, 1946
William F. Woods		Xi '10	St. Lawrence U.	Oct. 3, 1946
James B. Hall	Waynesburg, Pa.	Delta '37	W. Va. Univ.	Oct. 9, 1946
Kenneth R. Jones	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '41	Knox	Oct. 11, 1946
Herbert L. Brown	Drexel Hill, Pa.	Phi '16	Swarthmore	Oct. 13, 1946
Ralph J. Watts	Appleton, Wis.	Alpha '07	Mass. State	Oct. 13, 1946
W. O. Little	Akron, Ohio	Eta Triton '30	U. of Akron	Oct. 16, 1946
Paul Grutzmacher	Akron, Ohio			Oct. 16, 1946
Charles M. Eaton	Hinsdale, Ill.	Beta Triton '35	Knox	Oct. 29, 1946
John A. Safabade	Aurora, Ill.	Beta Triton '40	Knox	Oct. 29, 1946
G. W. Baker	Weston Springs, Ill.	Beta Triton '34	Knox	Oct. 29, 1946
Tom Green	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '40	Knox	Oct. 29, 1946
Robert J. Peterson	Chicago, Ill.	Omicron '44	M.I.T.	Nov. 1, 1946
Harry J. Tucker, Jr.	Washington, D. C.	Lambda '53	Geo. Wash. U.	Nov. 2, 1946
Nelson Antrim Crawford	Topeka, Kansas	Iota Deuteron Hon.	Kansas State	Nov. 2, 1946
Florence Gotovac	Chicago, Ill.			Nov. 5, 1946
Alvina Ganz	Chicago, Ill.			Nov. 5, 1946
Jane Cross	Chicago, Ill.			Nov. 5, 1946
Charles R. Mayer	Chicago, Ill.	Kappa '30	Penn State	Nov. 8, 1946
Theodore H. Lassagne	San Francisco, Calif.	Alpha Deuteron '26	Illinois	Nov. 9, 1946
Wm. Ellis Zimmerman	Lansdale, Pa.	Lambda '23	Geo. Wash. U.	Nov. 12, 1946
Charles M. Eaton	Hinsdale, Ill.	Beta Triton '35	Knox	Nov. 14, 1946
John S. Saby	State College, Pa.	Rho Deuteron '42	Gettysburg	Nov. 15, 1946
Willard F. McCormack	Baltimore, Md.	Omicron '26	M.I.T.	Nov. 18, 1946
Edwin M. Wright	Manteno, Ill.	Alpha '99	Mass. State	Nov. 18, 1946
Curtis N. Overton	Knoxville, Tenn.	Xi Deuteron '48	U. of Tenn.	Nov. 29, 1946
James P. McPherson	Elmhurst, Ill.	Delta Deuteron '42	U. of Mich.	Dec. 5, 1946

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NAME	ADDRESS	CHAPTER AND CLASS	COLLEGE	DATE
Robert B. Abbe	Windham, Conn.	Epsilon Deuteron '38	W.P.I.	Dec. 11, 1946
Richard G. Novak	Riverside, Ill.	Beta Triton '43	Knox	Dec. 12, 1946
Kenneth R. Jones	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '41	Knox	Dec. 17, 1946
Frederick W. Ladue	Abington, Pa.	Theta Chi	Colgate	Dec. 19, 1946
Harry N. Mouer	Akron, Ohio	Eta Triton '50	U. of Akron	Dec. 30, 1946
Vern Jaquish	Pullman, Wash.	Chi Deuteron '47	Wash. State	Dec. 30, 1946
Theron R. Hughes, Jr.	Galesburg, Ill.	Beta Triton '50	Knox	Dec. 31, 1946
Melvin E. McDougall	Pullman, Wash.	Chi Deuteron '48	Wash. State	Dec. 31, 1946
Clyde E. Morrell	Pullman, Wash.	Chi Deuteron '43	Wash. State	Dec. 31, 1946
Irving V. Clarke	Hinsdale, Ill.	Chi '48	Williams	Dec. 31, 1946
Gladys H. Marchmont	New York, N. Y.			Jan. 7, 1947
Wally Tallos	LaGuardia Field, N. Y.	Beta Deuteron '41	Minnesota	Jan. 7, 1947
Joseph B. Comstock, Jr.	Los Angeles, Calif.	Omega Deuteron '41	U.C.L.A.	Jan. 11, 1947
Donald E. Smith	Worcester, Mass.	Epsilon Deuteron '41	W.P.I.	Jan. 14, 1947
Russell V. Boyle	Tacoma, Wash.	Chi Deuteron '26	Wash. State	Jan. 14, 1947
Tom Green	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '40	Knox	Jan. 16, 1947
Harris V. Helgeson	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '36	Knox	Jan. 16, 1947
Richard G. Novak	Riverside, Ill.	Beta Triton '43	Knox	Jan. 16, 1947
Robert Gibson	Grand Rapids, Mich.		Michigan	Jan. 23, 1947
Lee F. Moore	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Delta Deuteron '38	Michigan	Jan. 23, 1947
Eugene P. Barta	Cicero, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '48	Illinois	Jan. 27, 1947
Erle K. Diehl, Jr.	Hanover, Pa.	Rho Deuteron '47	Illinois	Jan. 31, 1947
David L. Shank	Evanston, Ill.	Mu '45	Gettysburg	Feb. 5, 1947
Gratnot Washburne	Duncan, Wyo.	Psi '13	U. of Pa.	Feb. 6, 1947
Ben Jones	Elgin, Ill.	Beta Triton '50	U. of Va.	Feb. 8, 1947
Duke Teasdale	Chicago, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '17	Knox	Feb. 8, 1947
R. C. Kennedy	Havre, Mont.	Mu Deuteron '32	Illinois	Feb. 15, 1947
G. W. Baker	Western Springs, Ill.	Beta Triton '34	U. of Mont.	Feb. 15, 1947
H. V. Helgeson	Palatine, Ill.	Beta Triton '36	Knox	Feb. 27, 1947
Richard G. Novak	Riverside, Ill.	Beta Triton '43	Knox	Feb. 27, 1947
John Rothgeb	Galesburg, Ill.	Beta Triton '43	Knox	Feb. 27, 1947
Shirley Salata	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '50	Knox	Mar. 3, 1947
Dorothy Vukvic	Chicago, Ill.		Knox	Mar. 5, 1947
Lillian C. Winter	Chicago, Ill.		Knox	Mar. 5, 1947
Mrs. Leland F. Leland	St. Paul, Minn.		Knox	Mar. 12, 1947
Arthur B. Waring	New York, N. Y.	Alpha Omicron Pi '25	Minnesota	Mar. 12, 1947
Jack L. Pettit	Madison, N. J.	Delta Phi '26	Williams College	Mar. 19, 1947
Harrison A. Kincaid	Palatine, Ill.	Iota '38	Stevens	Mar. 26, 1947
H. V. Helgeson	Palatine, Ill.	Beta Triton '25	Knox	Mar. 27, 1947
G. W. Baker	Palatine, Ill.	Beta Triton '36	Knox	Mar. 27, 1947
Chuck Eaton	Western Springs, Ill.	Beta Triton '34	Knox	Mar. 27, 1947
	Hinsdale, Ill.	Beta Triton '35	Knox	Mar. 27, 1947



# Chapter Hymeneal

## KNUCKLES-TAYLOR

Brother Marion Redwood Taylor, Phi Deuteron '49, and Esther Mae Knuckles, Alpha Xi Delta, were united in marriage on March 22, 1947, in the Evangelical Church at Beverly, Kentucky. Mrs. Taylor is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Knuckles of Beverly and Brother Taylor is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Redwood Taylor of Ashland, Kentucky.

Brother Pat Conley was best man and



MR. AND MRS. MARION REDWOOD TAYLOR

Mrs. Jean Durham, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Reverend Donald Durham officiated. Miss Frieda Cornelius, sorority sister of the bride, provided the music for the ceremony.

The bride was attired in a traditional white satin gown with a "V" neckline trimmed with imported lace and with long sleeves which came to points over her hands. She carried a white prayer book with ribbons and a single white orchid.

Immediately after the ceremony the groom was ridden on a rail following the

traditional practice of the old frontier. The bride's parents then held a reception for over one hundred guests at their home, where the bride's table was dominated by a huge wedding cake.

Brothers who attended were Elbert Cheek, William P. Jones, Joe R. Bolton and William Ellison.

The couple left for a short wedding trip through the South, which included attending the Moonlight Girl Formal at Xi Deuteron in Knoxville. After their honeymoon they returned to Lexington where both are students at the University of Kentucky.

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## WAGGONER-POLLOCK

Miss Jeanne Waggoner and Brother William Pollock were joined in holy matrimony at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Thompsettown, Pennsylvania on Saturday, March 29, 1947.

Mrs. Pollock is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Jones Waggoner of Thompsettown and Brother Pollock is a member of Pi Chapter, Class of 1946.

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## WOHLSON-RIPPLE

Miss Carolyn Wohlson and Dr. Paul Ripple were united in marriage at the Zion Lutheran Church in Lancaster, Pennsylvania on Saturday, March 29, 1947.

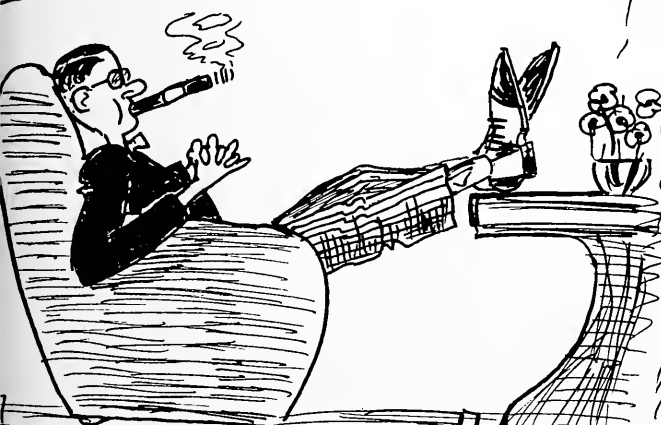
Mrs. Ripple is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert B. Wohlson of Lancaster. Brother Ripple, Pi '44, is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Medical College.

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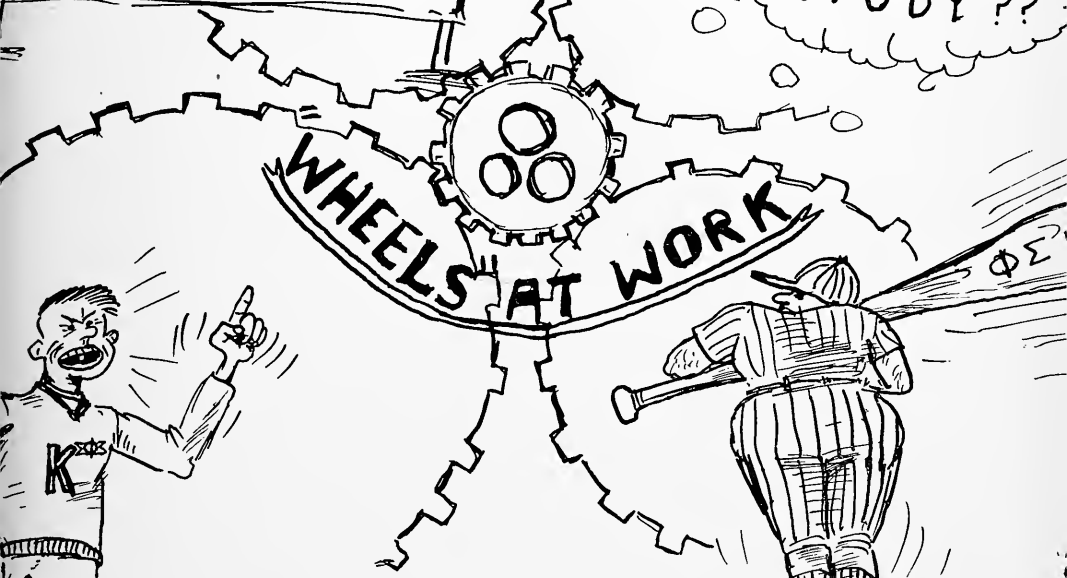
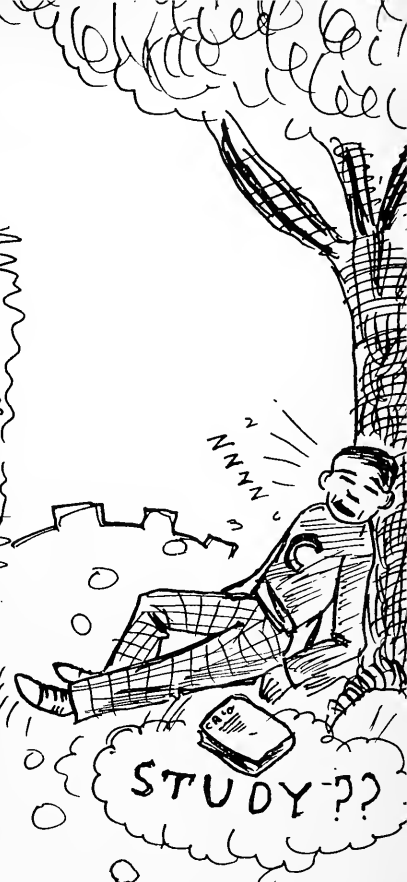
## ROGERS-HENZE

Brother Ludwig Henze, Delta Deuteron '20, took Miss Margaret Elizabeth Rogers for his bride on Saturday, February 1, 1947.

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## GAMMA

### Cornell University

Gamma of Cornell ushered in the new spring term with a most festive house-party. The Junior Week celebration had all the splendour of the pre-war affairs . . . living proof that we have converted and become "adjusted" to the old routine. The Hill had such offerings as the Mod-ernaires in a musical variety show Thursday evening, February 13. Friday night saw a grand performance by the Glee Club and the University Quartet. The latter organization, incidentally, was organized some years back by two Gamma men, Milt Wilkins and George McNair. Later that night the big prom at Barton Hall offered Jimmy Dorsey's contrasts in rhythm. All of these events were interspersed with activities at the house. There were the customary cocktail parties, dances, and the usual festivity and frolic that follow such an occasion. The undergraduate chapter is indebted to Brothers "Woody" Clow and Bob Menges, and their charming wives, for chaperoning the show. "Woody" and Bob are members of the classes of '38 and '39 respectively, and are very active in the alumni group.

The next big event was the initiation of fourteen Cornellians into the fraternal order. Pledges Douglas William Anderson, Jerrald Joseph Bedenk, Thomas Taylor Bissell, Shane Dillon Costello, Raymond LeRoy Eggert, Jr., Laverne Henry Hardy, Alan Wilson Heath, Robert Arthur Heuerman, William Gill LePard, Edward Burgess Magee, Jr., John Isaac Mange II, Donald Reid McCurry, Thomas Morgan Potts and Norman Clifford Small, Jr., became brothers

in the bond of Phi Sigma Kappa, Sunday, March 9. The following week-end they were feted at a banquet. Dean Kimball and Professors Sutherland and Perry paid them tribute in speeches. President Larry Dean welcomed them into the circle and Bill LePard made the response on behalf of the new class.

It has been our custom to have guest speakers each Wednesday. Gamma has been honored by the presence of many of the distinguished members of the staff and faculty of the University and residents of the city of Ithaca. Professor Guttman of the Sociology Department conducted an interesting discussion when we participated in the Cornell United Religious Work's conference. Coach Jack Moakley, who has been with the University almost fifty years and whose feats are almost legendary, was our most recent guest. He related many an anecdote about Cornell's past in the world of sports. A forum on international affairs, with special attention to affairs in the Mediterranean area, followed our return from the Easter recess. Professor Kelsey lead the group discussion.

Gamma has had its share of participants in the University athletic contests. Captain Tom "Iron-man" Latimer represented us in victories throughout the collegiate fencing circuit. John Mitchell, our contribution to the track team, jumped a little higher and better than did the other fellows in competition with Yale and Pennsylvania at Barton Hall. Don Sutherland is playing lacrosse, and Curt TerKuile, Hank Hardy and Tom Bissell are rowing to the commands of coxswain Tim Magee. We participated in the intramural basketball tournament and track meet, and are preparing for an active spring season.

Politically, we have one of the more important groups on the Hill. Harold Saunders is president of the Student Council. Tom Latimer is secretary to the Interfraternity Council. A number

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Gamma seniors shown in the interesting montage on the opposite page are Lawrence Dean (upper left), Thomas Latimer (upper right), Thomas Mitchell (lower left), and H. Earl Saunders (lower right).



of other fellows are always actively engaged in whatever campus campaign might be going on.

Larry Dean is still guiding his Forum Committee at Willard Straight Hall. Jim Flannery is among those participating in the Model U.N. He is the military representative on the Security Council. The unit is doing marvelous work, and is acquainting everyone with the intricate workings of the organizations after which it is formed. Bob Gallman is almost singlehandedly putting out the Cornell Era. He is the editor of that publication and does sportscasting for WVBR. Hugh Hewitt heads the script department of "the voice of the big red", as the station is nicknamed. Don Standiford conducts his own show at the same place on the dial. Don, incidentally, is one of the organizers and spark-plugs of the Cornell Cadet Officers' Club. He serves as vice-president of that group.

Members of the house are active, too, in the Cornell Rhythm Club, a recently founded organization. Something new in music clubs, it is composed of those who fancy the classics, folk music, jazz, swing and any other variety that might be labeled American. It is headed by Professor Marshall Stearnes, and is fostered by Dr. Kuypers of the Music Department, Professor H. W. Thompson, member of the English Department, and distinguished authority on folk-lore and folk-music.

The efforts of Dick Demmler and Dave Taylor have been recognized and rewarded. They were recently elected to "Ye Hosts", an honorary society in the School of Hotel Administration.

We have had our share of parties here in Ithaca. Art Widmer did a marvelous job of turning the house into a veritable Monte Carlo during a recent week-end. Guests were presented with large parcels of play-money upon entering and played roulette, dice, black-jack and other varieties of games of chance to their hearts' content. Don Sutherland and his guest,

representing the couple who won the most money during the evening, were awarded prizes. Other parties have been of the informal-dance, beer party category of which no one seems to tire.

In order to offer the other fraternities some real competition in the forthcoming contests, Stan Davis has been training a choral group of twenty-five voices. Under his capable guidance, the house is turning into an excellent singing organization. Formerly it was loud and fair.

To insure best relations between the alumni and the undergraduate chapter, Gamma has been sending frequent newsletters to its older members. The response has been heartening. A marvelous spirit of cooperation now exists due primarily to the efforts of Dr. Norman Moore, Professor John Perry and Ed Sargent.

Gamma's plans for the future have been made on a grand scale. Shortly after Easter we held a Faculty Tea. Not too long after that came Spring Day with its gala houseparty. A Parents' Day is planned for late May. There are exchange dinners in the offing. We plan to have as many guest speakers on Wednesday nights as we possibly can. This should keep us busy until the end of the term, but you can rest assured that everything will be capably executed.

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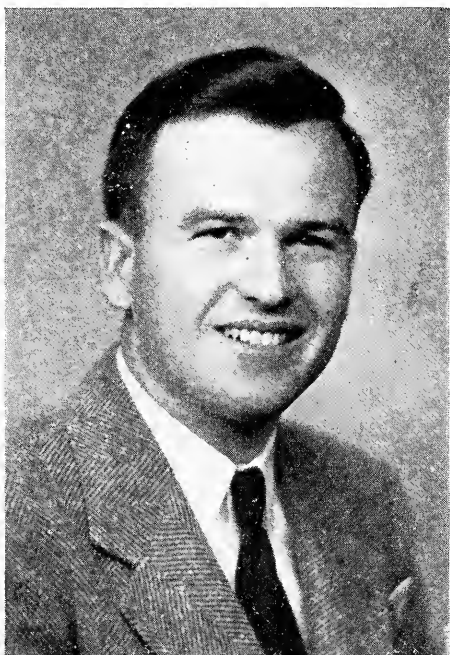
### University of Kentucky

The beginning of spring quarter finds Phi Deuteron dead ready for big things and with the exception of one or two cases of spring fever, things are really rolling.

Brother Darrell Hancock's campus popularity, along with some real Kentucky political backing by all the brothers of Phi Sig chapter, has given him the office of president in the Veterans' Club on our campus. We are all very proud of Brother Hancock and know he will do an excellent job in his present office.



Seven of our able-bodied brothers came through with flying colors to chalk up another first for Phi Sig; this time in the bowling tournament. Brother Al Jepson, the captain, along with Brothers Bill Ellison, Clell De Spain, Earl Cornet and Bill Newman plus Jack Dupree



DARRELL B. HANCOCK

and John Hays as alternates made up the team that defeated the ATO's in the finals. A post-season game was played with the Phi Sigs' spotting the Delta Zeta's, the sorority champs, 250 pins. The DZ's, being good losers, escorted our seven (lucky) brothers out to dinner following the match.

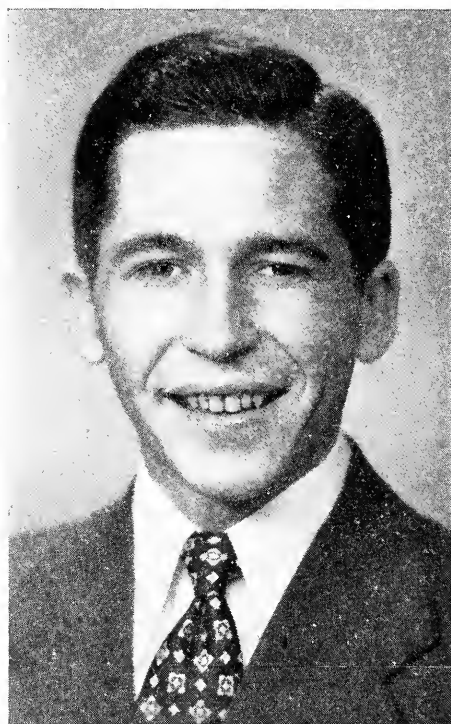
Brother J. C. Kennard has been honored by being initiated into the "K" Club, a campus organization open to men earning letters for intercollegiate sports. Brother Kennard earned his letter last season for some fine playing as fullback on U. of K's eleven.

The Alpha Delta Pi's entertained the Phi Sigs a short time back with a

very nice open house from 3:30 till 5:30 in the afternoon. From then on it was every woman for herself as the Phi Sig brothers escorted the ADPi's back to the chapter house for a buffet supper.

"The Clique", made up of representatives of all the fraternities and sororities on the campus, has elected two of our brothers, Clell De Spain and Bert Cheek, as two of their twelve representatives in the Student Government Association.

A recent visitor to Phi Deuteron Chapter was Brother Jim Massey of Alabama who attended the ADPi open house with us. Jim was here attending a convention of the American Institute of



PAUL W. GRUMPELES

Electrical Engineers held on the campus of the University of Kentucky. Another visitor who has spent a couple of weekends with us is Brother "Slick" Sliger of Xi Deuteron, University of Tennessee. Slick is stationed at Fort Knox, Ken-

tucky, and we have enjoyed his visits very much. We are looking forward to seeing these brothers again and extend a hearty welcome to all Phi Sigs who happen through our "bluegrass" state.

Phi Deuteron was represented at the Region III Conclave by Brothers Paul Grumbles, "Brownie" B. Bolton, Ken

Midkiff, Clell De Spain, and Tom Prather. From all reports a fine time was had by all, and the boys really seemed to enjoy seeing our Xi Deuteron brothers again. We are all looking forward to having the brothers of Xi Deuteron with us this fall for the U. of K. vs. Tennessee game. We only hope we



President Paul Grumbles presents Miss Esther Knuckles with the trophy at the Moonlight Girl Formal. Brothers Rhodemyre and Taylor are on the right.

can pay them back for the grand way they have treated us in the past. We also hope that the other brothers of Region III whom we met at the Conclave will be able to accept the invitation we made to visit us at any time.

The past weeks have seen several new brothers in our midst. Initiated early in April were J. C. Kennard, Burl Phillips, Jay Rhodemyre, Douglas Ross, Leonard Sallee, Charles Shawn, John Soper, Robert Welch, and William Whitehouse.

Other good men joining Phi Sig are Walter Eades, Walter Hoage, "Shank" Woods, Fred Coplin, and Charles Lewis, who were pledged this quarter.

Last quarter's election saw Paul Grumbles re-elected president of the active chapter. Clell De Spain vice-president and Ken Midkiff treasurer. Bill Byron is secretary, George Judge is sentinel, and Al Jepson is inductor.

Our annual Founders' Day Banquet was held at the Lafayette Hotel in Lexington March 14 with actives, pledges, and dates attending en masse. Master of ceremonies was Brother Woody Burchett and alumni present were Dean and Mrs. Paul P. Boyd, Prof. and Mrs. E. A. Bereau, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Atchinson,

Immediately following the banquet was the Moonlight Girl Formal, which was climaxed by the presentation of Esther Knuckles, Alpha Xi Delta, as our 1947 Moonlight Girl. She was presented with a silver trophy for her sorority and a lovely bouquet of American Beauty roses.



Brother P. P. Boyd, charter member of Phi Deuteron and speaker at Phi Deuteron Founders' Day Dinner-Dance.

During the break between quarters another event took place. Our Moonlight Girl became the bride of Brother Redwood Taylor. After the wedding the party attended the Moonlight Girl Formal at Xi Deuteron and were royally entertained.

Softball practice has begun with one practice game played and won thus far. Brother Gerner, whose excellent pitching aided us to the crown last season, is managing the team and has a fine group of brothers from whom to choose the first team.

Thus far this quarter we have held one stag get-together for all the chapter members. Also, the first of our Sunday picnics and river parties gave everyone an excellent sample of what was to come. A formal tops off the social calendar for the quarter, and we are all looking forward to it.



Brother "Woody" Burchett, Master of Ceremonies at Phi Deuteron Founders' Day Dinner-Dance.

son, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Atchinson, Mr. and Mrs. Sagesor Kash, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rankin, Mr. and Mrs. Stoy G. Witten, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Marlowe, and Brother Doug Warders.

Make your plans now for the  
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## BETA TRITON

### Knox College

On Saturday, February 15, the Phi Sigs held a funfest in the form of a Valentine's Day party. Dancing and refreshments were featured and the Phi Sigs and their dates all had a fine time.

The dining room, with its striking array of beautiful flowers and decorations, added to the festive surroundings.

On the week-end of March 15-16, Brothers Kotite, Taylor, Heller, Schrecengost and Reed attended a Phi Sigma Kappa Founders' Day Banquet at Alpha Deuteron Chapter, University of Illinois. The fellows enjoyed Brother Schoening's address and were honored to have been a part of the festive evening.

The Phi Sigs annual Spring Formal, the highlight of Beta Triton's spring social season, was held at the Soangetaha Country Club on Rice Lake on the outer edge of Galesburg. The social committee, consisting of Brothers Weber, Strauss and Reed, deserves much credit for the fine decorations and for acquiring Binge and Polite's orchestra.

Beta Triton Chapter accepted an invitation to install a new chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas. On the week-end of May 3-4, six loyal Tritonites initiated the men into the new chapter. At this time we would like to congratulate them and wish them all kinds of success deep in the heart of Texas.

With the beginning of the spring quarter at Knox, golf, tennis, track, and softball share the sport headlines. Brothers Don Kotite, George Porter, Dick Miller, Melvin Castell and William Wollman are on the Siwash track team. Brother Jack Bonavia represents Beta Triton on the tennis team, and Brother Jack Tower is anchor man on the golf team. In a recent match against Augustana, Tower was low man on both teams with a score of 83 for the tricky 18 hole course.

The Phi Sig intramural bowling team

is in first place and undefeated at the half way mark in the season. Responsible for this terrific pace are Brothers Eaton, Wollman, Bartz, Melsheimer, R. Miller, Bonavia, Ash, Castell, Jones and Diershaw.

The ping-pong team, while not as successful as the bowling team, is well rooted in third place, giving a good account of themselves. Comprising the squad are Brothers Trenka, Parker, Eaton, Melsheimer, Paul, Roman, Plantenga and Bonavia.

In a few more weeks the Intramural Softball League will get underway at Knox. The Tritonites are looking forward to a great season with over 25 men turning out for the first day of practice. Brother Lew Schrecengost is managing the team and holding down third base.

Two former brothers have returned to the Knox campus after serving in the army. They are Bill Fraser and Glenn LeFevre. Both were lettermen in football at Knox before the war, and Fraser was an all-Conference end.

Four new men were pledged April 12. They are Jerry Baldwin, Chatsworth, Ill., John Jedlicka, Palos Park, Ill., Frank Taraba, Cicero, Ill. and Hugh Watson.

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## EPSILON DEUTERON

### Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Spring at Worcester Polytech finds the "Chapter on the Hill" bustling with activities of all varieties. Rushing, interfraternity athletics, dances, initiation and exams are just a few of the items on the calendar.

Prior to rush week the brothers put in a lot of time repapering and painting their rooms. The entire third floor of the house was refinished, as well as many other individual rooms. Rush week was conducted very successfully, and the following men were pledged: Arthur Bouvier, Willard Bowen, Henry Brown, Ralph Chapin, William Collings, John

Converse, Raymond Costine, Raymond Gilbert, Earle Hallstrom, Richard McMahan, Paul Nyquist, Philip Nyquist, John Seguin, Philip Stanier, Arthur Tyrol and Jeremy Welts.

On February 16 initiation was held for four pledges carried over from last sem-



I. F. BOWLING TEAM

ester. Those initiated were John Francis Brierly, John Ivan Logan, Donald Hurd Story and Albert Henry Rawdon, Jr. Initiation was held on April 12 for the new pledges, and all new initiates were honored at the annual initiation banquet on April 27 at the Sheraton Hotel. Brother Herbert L. Brown, President of the Grand Chapter, was the principal speaker. Brother Robert Drew of Epsilon Deuteron was the toastmaster.

The house teams have really been rolling up the scores during these past two terms. Ever since last term, when the tennis and relay teams both took first place, we have been holding our own. The bowling team had a little tough luck. Bill Longmuir, John Hambor, Bill Ritchie and Red Shattuck did their best to even off the number of strings won and lost. The basketball team came back to take second place in that race. After losing the first two games, they won the rest without much trouble.

The swimming team, led by co-captains Tom Hunter and Bill Ritchie, won second place in the swimming meet. Bill came through in true Phi Sig style to break the Interfraternity record for breast-stroke. All this adds up to keep-

ing us in first place in the run for the Grand Athletic Trophy. The brothers in the house are all striving to regain the trophy, which was lost last year. The track team has started working out under the careful eye of Mac White for the meet to be held on April 24 and 25th. With the incentive the brothers have, and a little bit of envy after losing a highly-praised trophy, we should be able to keep up there in both track and softball, which will come later this spring.

The Tech basketball team was bolstered by Brother Al Raymond and Pledge Bill Collings. Although the team didn't have too successful a season, the Phi Sigs were in there playing, and the rest of the house was up there Saturday nights rooting them on. The Junior



I. F. RELAY TEAM

Varsity basketball team was aided by Jack Brierly's return from the service, and Pledge Jack Converse.

Dick Olson and Pledges Bill Brown and Will Bowen represented the house on the swimming team, which had a fairly successful season. The winter relay team was made up of five men, three of whom were Phi Sigs. Dave Brown, Mac White, and Red Shattuck did their running for Tech in true Phi Sig style.

Although the records don't show it, the training facilities at the school aren't the best, but the team stepped right into the Boston Garden for both the relays.

Both the baseball and track teams have turned out for practice with the full gust of the Phi Sigs out there battling for positions on the team. Dave Brown, our star cross country man, Mac White, our New England high hurdle champion, and Chuck Rehrig are all out running around the track every day. There are a lot of vacancies on the baseball squad this year, and the brothers are really in there in force. Mal Ferson, Norm Clark, Dick Hawie, John Seguin, Ray Gilbert, Dean Amidon, and Red Shattuck are among the brothers on the diamond every day.



CHRISTMAS PARTY

Members of the chapter honored by election to the scholastic honorary society, Tau Beta Pi, were: Jack Williams, Bob Nowell, Danny Knoll, and Willard Adams. Brother John Wholean, past president of the chapter for two semesters, was pledged to the senior honorary society, Skull. Among those on the "hill" chosen to appear in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities were Brothers John Wholean, John Harding (president of Tau Beta Pi), Malcolm White, William Longmuir and John Hambor.

In the recent freshman class election Brother John Brierly was elected to the office of president. Of particular note is the achievement of Brother John Ham-

bor, who has recently received underwriter's approval and patent on a new type of circuit breaker for domestic use. The circuit breaker is designed to replace the common type of expendable fuse by the simple expedient of inserting it in the common fuse socket. Since the new fuse is resettable, its advantages are obvious. Brother Hambor, who will graduate at the end of this term, is now engaged in preparing a report to be submitted to the convention of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in the latter part of April.

The first big all-school social event of the year came on February 7, when the Greek lettermen of Tech gathered at Alden Memorial for the Interfraternity Ball. Phi Sig was well-represented, with fifty-five couples attending from Epsilon Deuteron. The Ball on Friday night was followed by a week-end houseparty culminated by the W.P.I.-B.U. basketball game and Interfraternity Round Robin Saturday evening.

When mid-year vacation rolled around at the end of February several of the brothers still hadn't had enough skiing for the season, so they headed for Jackson, N.H., where they enjoyed four days of fine sport. The new term found them still discussing their exploits on the New Hampshire slopes and trails.

Our new pledges and their dates were guests of honor at a Pledge Dance at the house Saturday evening, March 29. The active members turned out in force to welcome our potential brothers, so that at the height of the festivities about forty couples were enjoying the games, dancing, and refreshments. The evening was rounded out with a community sing and marshmallow toasting around the fireplace in the living room.

At this writing ideas for social events for the remainder of the year are flying thick and fast. So far we have a semi-formal dance at the house planned for May 3, a barn dance scheduled for later

on in May, and a houseparty to coincide with the Junior Prom on June 7. Thus, even though exams and studies seem to pile up on us continually, we still manage to find time for a little relaxation and a few good times in the company of the fair sex.

It seemed good this year to take part once again in one of Epsilon Deuteron's finest and most interesting functions when we welcomed a group of youngsters from the Worcester Boys' Club to the chapter house for a Christmas party. We met them at the door with bowls of candy and salted nuts, and as soon as they had shed hats and coats they proceeded to take over the house completely. During the evening they enjoyed movies, plus more refreshments down in the game room. The high point of the festivities came when Santa appeared and presented each of the round-eyed young individuals with a large odd-shaped package. At nine o'clock they had to be bundled into their coats once again, and before long the house was silent, while the kids' happy shouts could be heard echoing down the streets as they headed home, escorted by their big brother Phi Sigs.

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### LAMBDA

#### George Washington University

By CHARLES LILIEN

Through the efforts of the alumni, Lambda has received a new chapter house admirably suited to the uses of a fraternity, with accommodations for forty men. A large ballroom, with balcony, and large music and living rooms make the first floor perfect for entertaining.

Our adviser, Pern Henninger, has said that he hopes the new house will be entirely redecorated and refurnished before the chapter moves, so that it will be not only the finest fraternity house on the campus, but one of the best in the United States.

With rushing Lambda began this quarter's social events. A stag beer party, a cocktail party, and a tea dance gained for the chapter 24 fine pledges. One of them, William Baker, has since been elected president of the pledge Interfraternity Council, while another, John



Lynn Matteson, president of the Washington, D. C. chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority, was elected Princess of Lambda Chapter at the annual Carnation Ball held this year with Eta and Epsilon Triton.

Bullough, has been chosen vice-president of the University Men's Glee Club.

Founders' Day was celebrated by Lambda actives and alumni at the Kennedy-Warren on March 16. Guests of honor were Grand Chapter President, Herbert L. Brown, and Region III Director, W. Barrett Fuchs.

Other highlights of the chapter's social activities were the Sunday afternoon tea dances given in honor of Chi Omega and Kappa Delta, and the beer party given for the brothers of Eta and their dates.



In the near future the Eta-Epsilon Triton-Lambda joint Carnation Ball will be held at the Wardman Park Hotel. The Princess of Lambda of Phi Sigma Kappa will be crowned that evening. She is Lynn Matteson, one of the founders of the Gamma Kappa chapter of

Kappa Alpha Theta and president for this semester.

In the field of interfraternity sports the chapter pingpong team took second place in the University tournament. The wizards of the paddle who played for Lambda were Russell Maguire, Elton



LAMBDA CHAPTER HOUSE



Murphy, Ed Faison, Clay Leigh, Clarke Davison and Howard Mainhart. At present our bowling and softball teams are defending the fraternity's honor.

Lew Hoffacker was elected president of the chapter in the March quarterly election. He has been active not only in fraternity work, but also on the campus, where he has worked on the student paper, for the campus discussion group, and for the world federalist organization. Along with Brothers Bud Abbott and John Gray, Lew has been elected to Gate and Key, honorary organization for outstanding fraternity men.

Other officers for this quarter are Stan Williams, vice-president; William R. Carroll, secretary; Richard Adams, treasurer; Eddie Dentz, inductor; and Charles Lilien, sentinel.

During the quarter four new brothers have entered the bond: Norman MacLean, Ike Eytchison, Howard Mainhart and Dave Smith.

Easter morning Bud Abbott left by plane for Switzerland in order to attend the economic conferences in Geneva. To balance his leaving, Ray Tyler returned from the marine corps where he acted as photographer for "Leatherneck." He will study journalism at the University.

Two long-absent faces showed up around the house recently; those of Brothers Nash Castro and John Powell. Having returned from Europe, Johnnie, State Department diplomatic courier, took part of his vacation in Washington and then shipped out for South America.

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## ALPHA DEUTERON

University of Illinois

By DONOVAN KRAMER

March 15 saw the Alpha Deuteron chapter house bulging with Phi Sigs. The occasion, of course, was Founders' Day. After a tasty meal, Brother Fran Weeks of Phi chapter commented on the changes that had come over campus life

since the veterans' return. Brother Earl F. Schoening, Alpha Deuteron, gave an account of the Phi Sig expansion program, and some interesting details of his recent trip through the West, explaining, also, why the program is requiring considerable money. He also made interesting and inspiring mention of the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa.

House President Ed Strand, who introduced the speakers, then presented the Chappy Burrows Pin to Bob Spengler, senior with the highest scholastic average. It is needless to say that Brother Spengler is quite proud to wear this platinum and diamond badge.

Many Beta Triton and Delta Triton men made the trip: twenty-five of them stayed overnight at the chapter house. These pilgrims, with local alums and our large active chapter, seemed to feel that Founders' Day was a success.

Recently elected officers are: Ed Strand, president; Cy Deitch, vice-president; Bob Pearson, treasurer; Art Busboom, secretary; Carroll Nelson, sentinel; and Dick De Baugh, inductor.

New pledges are Charles Reese, Alvin Watne, Joseph Gauger and Keck Dawson.

We recently bought a German Shepherd pup which we immediately named Hans, after an illustrious predecessor. Hans has just learned to climb the stairs, thus creating additional complexity to pledge duties.

The active chapter's scholastic average was sixth in the list of the University of Illinois' fifty-three fraternities.

The bowling team placed second in its division in intramurals. Prospects are exceptionally good for the softball team, now being organized. Horseshoes, golf, and tennis will also be contested.

The social activities were highlighted by a novel dance, where each guest appeared in a costume which was half one motiff, and half another. Of course, there were some hilarious garbs.

The "Hellzapoppin' Dance" was an event of considerable magnitude. Firecrackers, practical jokes and planned pranks helped an unconventional evening. More on the conventional side, our Spring Formal, May 9, should have pacified our dates, since we have scheduled one of the top campus bands for that evening. Our frequent Sweetheart Dinners have proved very successful and will no doubt continue in popularity. Considerable credit is due to Social Chairman Don Omohundro for both his hard work and his imagination.

Rushing at the U. of I. will be informal until fall, when the new system becomes effective. We have been entertaining several rushees at dinner every Wednesday and find that this method is the most practical.

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### CHI DEUTERON

#### Washington State College

By DALE MARTIN

During the few short weeks since our last chapterette, Washington State's Phi Sigs have continued to keep their good name on the lips of all on the campus with more novel social events and activity enterprises marking a leading fraternity.

Of top priority amongst our items of interest for this issue is the annual Founders' Day formal dance and banquet. A "Frontier Room" was the scene of the festivities with decorations and entertainment in keeping with that theme. Stan Thompson, Chad Coleman and Bob Sheehy shared the main responsibilities of making the evening the gala affair that it was. As "foremen", they collaborated with the "straw-bosses" and other "hands" from the Phi Sig "bunkhouse" to arrange all details. "Ridin' Herd" for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Whiffen, Dean and Mrs. Kimbrough, and Mr. and Mrs. Hanna.

Former Phi Sigs (now "hitched")

present with their wives were: Chuck Mead, Tom Jackson, Woody Shemwell, Bill Good and Jack McGee.

Courses from the "chuckwagon" were served at three-couple tables. While all enjoyed the four courses of "vittles", a glamorous chorus line and a mystifying magician entertained.

A new quarter finds new officers elected and installed. Guiding the fraternity in its duties are: Derald Lyman, president; Max Jackson, vice-president; Bob Kittleson, secretary; Clyde Morrell, treasurer; Dean Rumburg, sentinel; and Norm Majer, inductor. Chad Coleman has taken over the duties of the social chairman and Brother Rumburg will continue as rushing chairman.

Nine new members have swelled the ranks of active members after the March 2 initiation: They are: Bert Lehn, Louie Black, Bob McCoy, Bill McCoy, Al Reisser, Bob Meineke, Gene Kelly, Bob Cochran, and Chad Coleman.

Bruce Bradley and Jim Aylward are new Phi Sig pledges. Pledge officers are: Dorsey Martin, president; Harold Herman, vice-president; Hal Lyons, secretary; and Bruce Bradley, sergeant-at-arms.

The Phi Sigs currently have two teams entered in the intramural volleyball tournament and many prospective track and field event men are out to bring home the spring track championship.

Senior Bert Lehn shows promise of being the top distance runner of the conference from the impressive times he has been clocked at in early season varsity trials. Dale Bly, Tom Bradley, and Bob McCoy are also battling for a share of the track laurels. Dorsey Martin and Bob Cochran have positions as track managers.

Dean Rumburg and Bruce Bradley are in the middle of a vicious, bruising spring football turnout. Jim Aylward, varsity boxer, took runner-up spot in the coast intercollegiate championship bouts.

Jack Daniels, number one man on the W.S.C. golf team, has been elected captain for the year. With him on the squad will be Hal Lyons and Joe Hirsch. Bob Kittleson is ready for another good season in varsity tennis.

In addition to the above named sports personalities, Max Jackson and Bert Lehn were elected members of the sophomore and senior class' executive councils respectively.

Hal Lyons, Stan Peterson, Eddie McKown, Dean Rumburg, Norm Majer, Stan Thompson and Dorsey Martin are new pledges of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity. Dean Rumburg and Dale Martin have been pledged by Alpha Kappa Psi, professional business group.

With spring in the air, even at windy, cold W.S.C., many more Phi Sig pinhangings and ring-givings have taken place followed by the customary passing of cigars. This year's jewel losers are: Stan Thompson, Dick Kernighan, Max Jackson, Bert Lehn and Norm Majer.

Dale Martin, Jim McKinlay, Blaine Fletcher and Dorsey Martin have taken the more advanced step of giving rings.

Now that spring vacation has been survived and still we returned to school, the men of Chi Deuteron are looking forward to eventful spring weeks of picnics, spring dances, and final grades.

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### ETA TRITON

University of Akron

By SAM SALEM

Ed MacSweeny, our rushing chairman, planned a unique rushing program for rushing season which began on April 14. One of the highlights was a "nite-club" party which was held in the chapter house April 18. All furniture was removed from the first floor of the house and tables and chairs set up along the edges of the rooms. Candles at each table provided the only illumination.

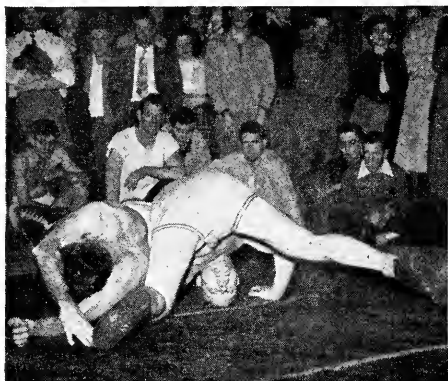
During the evening a floor show was held under the direction of Ossie Shama. Ed Petty, "MC", told witty jokes while



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Sam Salem and Don Jenkins presented a short skit. Brother Shama, an accomplished jitterbug, also displayed some fancy steps. Miss Etta Mae Young highlighted the show with a song and dance.

Ted Boecker is Eta Triton's new vice-president. He replaced Jim Campbell, who did not return to school this semester.



Dick Hansford of Eta Triton (left) and Joe Bajinski of Lone Star (right).

Gordon Harrod planned a clever Coed Luncheon at the chapter house March 6. Under the influence of Brother John Patrick O'Brien, an Irishman, Brother Harrod agreed to decorate the table with "green." President Hezzelton E. Simmons was the guest of honor. The dinner was cooked by members of the Mothers' Club.

When spring football started this year, two Phi Sigs, Jim Thorn and Dick Miller, joined the ranks. Brother Thorn is also president of the University Theatre, which he recently reorganized. Ted Boecker is vice-president of the club.

Brother Charles Kenyon, one of our brainchilds, is the secretary of Phi Eta Sigma, national freshman honorary society. Brother Kenyon, commonly referred to as "poodle-ee-doo", specializes in maintaining an "A" average.

Danny Ramicone was one of the pledges honored for scholastic achievements at the All-Greek Banquet last

March. Pledge Ramicone boasts a better than "B" average.

Speaking of pledges, Eta Triton has five new ones. They are Edward Petty, Richard Busson, Ford Kalil, Russ Vermillion, and Edward Hamilton.

"Phi Sig Dream Girl" and "I Got Plenty of Nuttin'," were the songs rendered by the Phi Sigs at the Inter-Greek Songfest March 14. Ed Bonebreak, a music major who is now doing his student teaching in Akron high schools, directed the singers. Ralph Haren was the accompanist. The singers were Gordon Harrod, Greg Wright, Dick Miller, Paul Hreha, Jerry Smith, Chuck Kenyon, Jim Lhota, Ted Boecker, Keith Coultrap, Guido Listella, Bob Brown, Claude Douthit, Bob Schriever, Ted Jentsh, Fred Conner and Pat O'Brien.

Along romance lines we find four lucky University coeds now wearing Phi Sig pins. They are Nancy Evans, Alpha Delta Pi, Kay Lilley, Phi Mu, Barbara Brennen, Delta Gamma, and Ruthie Grosjean, who are now pinned to Brothers Jerry Smith, Bob Allen, Jim Ederer and Claude Douthit respectively. Miss Lilley is president of her sorority and also of the Pan Hellenic Council. Everyone agrees that Miss Evans and Brother Smith make a perfect pair.

Strolling through the gym one can usually find Darrel Bentley and Dick Miller, gym team members, working out on the rings, parallel bars and horse. Pledge Hamilton is also a member of the team.

Eta Triton tied with the Lone Star fraternity for wrestling honors in the annual University of Akron intramural wrestling tournament here April 11, each winning in three weights.

Wrestling with three sprained ribs, Bruce Jackson copped the 155 pound title by pinning his more experienced adversary in the third round. Andy Oravec won the 136-banner and Dick Miller, the 145-crown.

The team was coached by Dick Hansford, YMCA judo instructor, who also wrestled in the 165 weight division. Other Phi Sigs competing were Jim Young, Bob Cross and Darrel Bentley.

Leaving the sadest news for the end, we find that Brother Joe Pappano is engaged. The object of his affections is Grace Nardella, a designer at the Good-year Aircraft Corporation.

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### University of Pennsylvania

By E. W. SHOMO

Brickbats and bouquets accentuated the house election held just before the Easter vacation, but the fireworks fizzled out by the time the ballots were cast and the actual election took place in a very subdued atmosphere. Bert Brown's advice given shortly before stressed the importance of harmony and unity. The brothers of Mu will long remember the words of Brother Brown in an attempt to adjust their individual interests to those of others in order to promote the "harmony and unity" so necessary in all fraternities today.

Elected to the house presidency was popular George Michel, who succeeded "Bud" Roney. "Mike's" understudy and new Chairman of Alumni Relations is "Woody" Johnson. Re-elected were Dick Chell, secretary; Burke Cock, treasurer; Harry Neinstedt, inductor; and Don Miller, sentinel. Don was also given a vote of confidence as house steward.

Sixteen new brothers were formally initiated into the chapter in April. The neophytes are: Wylie Borum, David Fairbank, Frank Gumpert, Boyd Hartley, Jack Hughes, Ernest Kordas, Robert Kluesener, Herbert Leonard, Richard Molden, Paul Noone, Peter Patrick, James Rudy, George Ryan, William Scully, Walter Swiss and William Zander. Following the formal ceremonies, the

brothers attended a tea dance given by the Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

A gala pledge party was held the night before the initiation. Jim Van Horn enacted the role of judge of Mu court, a tribunal which tried the cases of sixteen disobedient "goats" and sentenced them to "cruel and horrible" punishment at the hands of their dates for the evening and their big brothers. Brothers Charlie Siegfried and Harry Neinstedt kept the diaper and ribbon clad pledges going through their paces.

Our annual hay party climaxed Interfraternity Week-end for the many brothers who attended "Phi Sig's Second Story Hayloft". "Warning" signs hung on the walls by the members of the entertainment committee were completely ignored with the result that everyone had a swell time with the exception of Jack Shiffert, who insisted that he was allergic to "that ----- second hand straw." Art Smith and Burkie had a hard time deciding whether the tables were to stay upstairs or down. Fred Pearson announced his engagement a week later. We're still wondering about that! The lucky girl is Katherine Ann Ellison of Haverford, Pa., a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

At this writing plans and arrangements are being made for our spring formal, which is to be held at the Whitemarsh Country Club on May 17. Last year's, at Bala-Cynwyd, was a terrific success and this year's shows promise of duplicating it. We are all hoping that Brothers Hendrickson, McCarney, and Johnson will not get lost out on the links again.

Brothers Paul Noone and Ernie Behr have recently been issued their baseball uniforms for the varsity squad. Paul is a moundsman while Ernie garners them in around the initial sack.

Mu Chapter has now grown to fifty-six in number. After a successful season last December, we are looking for-

ward to another this spring. In charge of rushing are Charlie Siegfried and Woody Johnson, who have the support of the house behind them.

The members of the chapter wish to congratulate our new adviser, John Erlert, a recent graduate of our law school, wish him the best of luck in his position, and pledge our support to him in whatever activity he may undertake to further our house. He did a swell job in planning and executing our very successful Founders' Day Banquet, assisted by Fred Leswing.

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ETA

University of Maryland

By BOB MAUL

This year the Phi Sigs returned to the Maryland campus after years of inactivation. From a nucleus of twelve hard-working veterans who returned to reactivate Eta, the chapter has grown to a total enrollment of fifty actives and

pledges. Because of the inactivation of Eta during the war, the old house was sold; consequently, rushing was carried out last fall without the aid of a house. Nevertheless, an intensive rushing program was achieved through the cooperation of various sororities on campus who allowed us to use their houses for rushing parties. We are also grateful to our brothers at Lambda for turning their house over to us on several occasions this year for our dances. The brothers who acted as officers and piloted the chapter through those important first months of this year were Walter Allen, president; "Bob" Wright, vice-president; Giles Chapin, secretary; Charles Beaumont, treasurer; and "Bill" Brownell, inductor. Under the capable leadership of these brothers the fall rushing period ended with the following sixteen men being pledged: "Jim" Eacho, "Mel" Ruffner, "Ronnie" Nordeen, "Ed" Williams, Guy Cogswell, George Schoneberger,



ETA CHAPTER AND DATES AT A RECENT PARTY

"Don" Fresh, "Bob" Hutchinson, "Dick" Kirk, "Ronnie" Utman, John Hyde, "Bill" Fisher, "Tom" Bourne, "Berney" Bailey, Jack Benson and "Bob" Maul. "Don" Turkal, who was a pledge before inactivation, returned to the chapter at this time. George Schoneberger was elected president of the pledge class, and "Ed" Williams assisted him as vice-president. "Mel" Ruffner was secretary, and Berney Bailey, treasurer. "Jim" Eacho acted as sentinel for the group.

We had an opportunity to become acquainted with brothers from other chapters when we held our first annual Christmas Ball in conjunction with Lambda and Epsilon Triton Chapters at the Wardman Park Hotel in Washington. All three chapters took an active interest in the affair so that it was a complete success.

Since the beginning of the year Eta had been searching for a new chapter house. The quest finally ended last February when we purchased our present house. We were very fortunate in obtaining it as the house is in good condition and holds an enviable position in the fraternity and sorority district of College Park. We also have adequate ground in the rear of the house on which to make additions later. Actives and pledges pitched in and we have been busy since March furnishing the house and working on Brother Brownell's plan for remodeling the basement into a clubroom.

We are indebted this year for the assistance and advice given by Brother Phil Schaefer, Eta '23, who has acted as our alumni adviser. It was largely through his efforts that Eta now has a permanent home.

The week-end of February 8-9 Brother Brownell's parents allowed us to practically "take over" their house and the following men were initiated: "Don" Turkal, "Jim" Eacho, "Mel" Ruffner, "Bob" Maul, "Ronnie" Nordeen, Guy

Cogswell, George Schoneberger, "Ed" Williams, "Don" Fresh, "Bob" Hutchinson, "Dick" Kirk, "Ronnie" Utman, John Hyde and "Bill" Fisher.

At the beginning of this semester new officers were elected and Charles Beaumont took over the gavel as president. "Bob" Wright remained as vice-president. Other officers elected were Willis Nolan, secretary; "Bill" Brownell, treasurer; George Schoneberger, inductor, and Jack Merwin, sentinel.

Many of the "alums" found their way back to the Phi Sig fold the night of the Founders' Day Banquet on March 14. The banquet was held at the Club Rayburn on Washington Boulevard, and twenty-five alumni were present for the annual event. Brother Beaumont, acting as toastmaster, skillfully guided the proceedings throughout the evening. Brother Gilbert J. Morgan, Eta '07, spoke about the "old" days when Eta Chapter was in Baltimore before being transferred to College Park. Brother Walter C. Brandes, Theta '16, who was responsible for transferring Eta Chapter from Baltimore to College Park, addressed the group. Brother "Phil" Schaefer introduced the alumni that were present and spoke highly of Eta's accomplishments since the beginning of the year. After dinner Captain Weiss, USN, presented the motion picture "Silent Service", a documentary film concerning the submarine service during the war. After the banquet was over group pictures were taken and the party adjourned to the house for a stag party.

The first five weeks of this semester were taken up with informal rushing for the spring semester. Since the house was not yet prepared to have parties we again received aid from our brothers at Lambda and sororities on campus. The crowning touch to the rushing program was an extremely colorful "Gay Nineties" costume party which was held at the Sligo Cabin in Silver Spring, Maryland

on March 15. Everyone turned out in appropriate costumes, complete to derby hats and bustles. The make-believe bar with mustached bartenders made a big hit with everyone. After informal rushing fourteen new pledges were added to the roll: Charles Barrett, "Jim" Bulger, "Jim" Brentlinger, "Bob" Haines, "Dave" Hill, Clayton McCarl, Silas Miller, "Dave" Morris, "Jim" Moore, Lewis Stilson, "Don" Widov, Stewart Widov, Allan Wolf and John Moran.

From a very small beginning this year Eta now has a strong chapter and has firmly re-established Phi Sigma Kappa on the Maryland campus. We are already preparing for fall rushing next year by contacting alumni for the names of fellows that will be coming to Maryland who would be an asset to Phi Sigma Kappa. A plan for corresponding with alumni has been set up so that we should have an excellent start next fall.

We here at Eta would like to take this opportunity to wish all the brothers an enjoyable summer, and we'll be looking for you next October in *The SIGNET*.

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### ALPHA TRITON

#### Wesleyan University

By JOHN A. WATERHOUSE, JR.

With the second semester more than half finished, Alpha Triton Chapter is looking forward to the completion of a very successful first post-war year. On January 11, 1947 the following men were formally initiated into the chapter: David Harry Beebe, John A. Waterhouse, Jr., Carroll H. Burns, Jr., Ono B. Buss, Michael E. Kripas, David Harland Beebe, Eugene A. Cummins, Robert S. Eastman, Carl H. Eiser, Jr., Charles L. Hippler, Hugh C. Jenkins, Donald W. MacCoy, William P. Manahan, Clifford E. Milner and George D. Stewart. David Harry Beebe, 1927, a member of Gamma Psi, the local which became Alpha Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa in 1928,

was initiated into the national with his son, David Harland Beebe, our first "hered". After the ceremony, a formal banquet was held in the chapter dining hall. On March 19, 1947, Nicholas Saraceno was formally initiated into the chapter. These new men have swelled the active chapter roll to thirty-four undergraduate members, one graduate member, and one pledge.



Some of the brethren and their dates at party chow time.

On February 26, 1947 the following new officers were installed: president, William Gramley; vice-president, George Freifeld; secretary, John D. Cowan; treasurer, George F. Nettles; inductor, Donald G. Beaton; and sentinel, Frederick H. Lorenson. Retiring President Harry Detjen was presented with a gold gavel by his successor on behalf of the chapter for his capable leadership during the critical period when we were reorganizing after the war. Lewis Whitney, Jr. was elected rushing chairman, and the following week he was appointed to the college rushing committee.

At the end of the first semester the college announced the following Phi Sigs on the honor roll: John D. Cowan, Richard Foxall, Frederick Lorenson, and Richard S. Preston.

The house basketball team won first place in its division with six wins and no losses, but unfortunately lost the college championship to a superior team in the playoff. Bob Stevens and Co Jenkins



are out for baseball; and Len Hippler, George Stewart, Bill Manahan, and Dave Beebe are on the varsity track squad. In the recent meet with the University of Connecticut, Len placed second in the mile.

On March 7, 1947 the Junior Prom was held in the Alumni Cage. Glen Gray provided the music, and the Phi Sig booth next to the band stand was a popular one all evening. Spring house parties were held April 25-27.

At a cocktail party at his home during the Christmas vacation, Hank Webel's engagement to Gloria Rappuhn of Mount Holyoke College was announced.

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### OMEGA DEUTERON

#### University of Southern California

The main topic of the Phi Sigs at the University of Southern California is the coming Moonlight formal to be held May 3 at the Hollywood Riviera Beach Club. Always one of the top social events in this locale, this year's gathering promises to be even superior to the preceding ones. Recently we learned that Pic magazine is to cover the event, giving five pages to the day's activities, which are to start at ten in the morning and end the next morning at one. This is to be released in the September issue, the cover of which is to be adorned with our Moonlight Girl.

Pledging ceased over a month ago and now the nineteen men who wear the "Tumbling T's" on campus are thoroughly indoctrinated in the Phi Sig principles. The pledge class is unusually well rounded this semester in campus activities. Four of its members are on the varsity football team with one insured of a first string berth this coming fall. They are Jim Charters, Tony Lahanan, Bob Mills and Bill Feathers. Herb Saruman is manager of the baseball team with Bill Oliver occupying a similar position on the football team. Myron Jones is one of the editors on

the campus magazine "*Wampus*." The pledges are Paul Kemp, Niles Cunningham, Edward White, Bob Mills, Bob Harris, Myron Jones, Bill Oliver, Jean Burger, Anthony Lahanan, Jim Charters, Bill Feathers, Ray Willets, Ray Robinson, Dick Phlen, Louis Durham, Bud Nieman, Ray Walker, Herbert Saruman and Dick Ford.

Omega Deuteron is well represented in the field of sports. As already mentioned, four pledges occupy positions on the football team with an additional four actives, all of whom will bear watching this coming semester. They are John Rossetto, Gwin Henery, Don Wallace and Jack Beck. In Interfraternity sports, baseball and bowling are now in session with Phi Sigs occupying first place in both sports. Prior to the last game in baseball we had maintained a clean slate with no hits, no runs and no errors. All of this was mainly due to the pitching of one "Wow" Porter, who already has won several trophies for the house in baseball.

Social activities this semester have been very numerous, including buffets, exchanges, and picnics with various sororities. The Pledge Dance, given last month for the active chapter, was very successful. It was held at the chapter house, which was decorated in an Apache style with low ceilings and low, narrow passageways.

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### XI

#### St. Lawrence University

March 15 marked 45 years for Xi Chapter on the campus of St. Lawrence University, and on this day a record number of 46 were initiated into the bond of Phi Sigma Kappa. The new initiates are: Curtis Barker, Don Blanchard, Bill Caldwell, Dick Churchill, John Comey, Bud Crawford, Dick Culty, Don Danielson, Bill Davis, Jack Dennin, Andy Doty, Gil Dwyer, Sid Eudene, John

Faulkner, Jack Finkle, Bill Fisher, Bill Gould, Hally Hall, Hank Hulbert, Herb Hulser, Bud Kneaskern, Marty Kotarba, Jim Lally, Rick Larter, Art Lewis, Gil Maurer, Jim McAloon, Al Meltzer,



"THE XI GIRLS"

Chuck Mowery, Ed Noziglia, Doc Partridge, Rog Pihl, Gay Powell, Bob Pratt, Hugh Quinn, Marty Richman, Ken Rogers, Bill Rogers, Jim Strang, Doug Straw, Dave Trumbull, Keith Watkins, Bill Wieber, Fred Wilder, Hal Wilder and Dick Willis.

Xi is also proud to announce the pledging of the following men: Ken Sutton, George Thiel, Bill O'Rourke, Howie



Study hour for Dale Gibson.

Glading, Otto Scheim, John Moro, Dick Gaudian and Bob Hodgkins.

This year our "Hell-Week" was turned into a "Work-Week" and all the

pledges and brothers pitched in to improve the condition of the house. The living room and dining room floors were sanded and the walls painted, along with many other various odd jobs. Throughout "Work-Week" a fine spirit of co-operation was shown by all.

With the arrival of spring, Brothers Wiese and Benedict, both of whom have held varsity posts on the S.L.U. tennis team, may be seen daily working out on the tennis courts.

Brothers Rog Pihl and Ed Noziglia attended the Model United Nations



Bill O'Rourke, starting forward and ace Larry rebound man, who was recently chosen a member of the University of Vermont's all opponent team.

General Assembly held at Swarthmore College during the Easter vacation.

Seven husky Phi Sigs answered the call for spring football practice and were kept busy by the rigorous schedule set down by Roy Clogston, Director of Athletics. Dick Cuilty, Herb Hulser, "Long" John Moro, Al Partridge, Otto

Scheim, Jim Strang and Curt Barker all looked good in practice, and next year may find a few additional Phi Sigs wearing varsity football togs. Both Moro and Scheim gave excellent accounts of themselves as members of last year's varsity.

Brother Guy Donaruma, baseball manager, reports that eight brothers are currently trying out for the Larry baseball team.

The candidates and their positions are as follows: Al Meltzer, catcher; Bob Glasser, pitcher; Bud Kneaskern, Otto Scheim and Doc Partridge, 1st base;

took part in the college choir's very excellent presentation of Handel's "Messiah."

Ed Noziglia, Larry Dona, Walt Hannahs, and Ted Seymour were named to the Dean's List for the spring semester.

Several of our brothers are preparing to take the fatal step into matrimony.

Jim McAloon, Al Brandt, Dale Gibson, Herb Hansel and Glenn Salsburg have announced their engagements, and legacies may be expected in a few years. Congratulations, brothers.

Until next fall, when we'll be with you again, best of luck and good rushing.

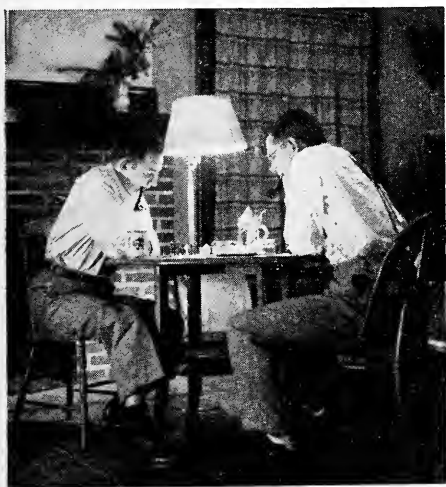
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### ALPHA

#### Massachusetts State College

The winter sports season saw Alpha Chapter carry on their winning ways, adding the basketball and volleyball championships to the previously-won touch football crown. Phi Sig was undefeated in the basketball competition and suffered only the loss of one match in the volleyball play and what with a standout softball team in the making we should coast into the Interfraternity Sports Championship with ease. The varsity basketball team was greatly aided by the the presence of Brother Gil Santin and Pledge Fred Richardson, whose fine play carried State to several victories.

With attention now turned to the spring season Phi Sig can look to Brothers Sam Price, Ted Brucher, Bruce Schufelt, Max Niedjela, Bill Merrill and Warren Gingras to hold positions on the varsity baseball team. Sam, Ted and Bruce were pre-war regulars and it is expected that they will take up their former fine play just where they left off. Tennis will occupy Brothers Andy Nelson and Warren Gingras and the return of this sport to State's athletic schedule will be a victorious undertaking with these two Phi Sigs on the club. Brother Gingras is pulling an "Iron Man" stunt



Left to right: Hugh Kegler and Larry Dona play a game of chess in Gilson Hall.

Sid Eudene and Sterling Wetherell, infield; and Don Danielson, outfield. Win-it Schwadron is competing for manager-ship.

Plans are underway to field a strong Phi Sig softball team to compete in the intramural league. Several of the brothers have been working out daily and some of the boys look like fine prospects. By the time this issue is in the mails we hope to be resting close to the top in the league standings.

Larry Benedict, Bill Way, Bob Adams, Hank Hulbert, John Faulkner, Jim Strang, and Norm Sparbel, soloist, all

as he is playing both baseball and tennis at present. As far as track is concerned Phi Sig can but claim a near four minute miler in Brother Kim Gove who has approached that time in several early workouts. Well, he has come within a minute of it anyway . . .

Founders' Day exercises were held at Alpha Chapter on the 15th of March at the house and a very large gathering of



PHI SIG WINTER CARNIVAL SNOW SCULPTURE

young and old Phi Sigs met at 2:30 in the afternoon to remember our founders. A visit to the shrine at North College was made under the leadership of Brother Frank P. Rand, who presented some of his usual excellent remarks, including a re-dedication of the Shrine. Following this we adjourned to the house for refreshments and later in the evening a dinner-dance was held. It was a very gratifying sight to the present members and also the Phi Sig faculty members on campus to see such a large representation on hand to take part in the Founders' Day tradition.

Second semester rushing saw thirteen new pledges at Phi Sigma Kappa. They are Will Learned, son of Brother Learned of the class of '09, Fran Vigneau, Dick Hansen, Dick Lacey, Earl Rodriguez, Bill Merrill, John Sullivan, Don West-

cott, Dick Knowland, Phil Dwyer, Fred Ziwtowski, Shel Smith and Walt Maisner. Initiation ceremonies were held on the 26th of April and then on the 28th the Initiation Banquet was held at the Hotel Weldon at Greenfield, Mass. Also on the calendar for April were the Interfraternity Skits, which were put on in conjunction with Greek Ball weekend which Brother Max Niedjela is running, and on the 25th an old tradition was revived at the house when Alpha Chapter entertained the faculty at the house with a Whist Party. This has been a very popular event among our instructors and they gave every indication that they enjoyed themselves as much as ever at this last one.

A strong move is underfoot to change the name of Mass. State to the University of Massachusetts. Perhaps the largest share of the credit towards starting the idea and seeing it carried on to its probable attainment should be given to our number one politician, Brother Mike Donohue. Brother Donohue, as well as heading the U. of M. Committee, is in charge of the first annual Legislature Day to be held in May. Perhaps by the time this issue is distributed we shall be known as the new University of Massachusetts . . . Well done, Mike.

Serving as house officers this semester have been: president, Andrew W. Nelson, Jr.; vice-president, Bruce Shufelt; treasurer, William Lucey; secretary, Daniel McCarthy; sentinel, Patrick Bresnahan; and inductor, William Tunis.

Brothers Tunis and Niedjela represent Phi Sig on the Interfraternity Council while the presidency of the Student Senate is being very ably filled by Brother Steve Czarnecki. Brother Ed Szetela has taken over the commissary and has continued the efficient management we have known all along.

Spring fever has affected the brothers with one marriage, that of Edward C. Edwards, Jr., son of Brother Edward C. Edwards, Alpha '14, to Noel Gay Glea-

son of Newton, Mass. on the 22nd of March. Fifteen of the brothers were on hand to watch Brother Edwards go the way of all good men. Pins are rapidly changing hands and Red Stewart, Barbara Stegner, Beryl Simmons and Lois Rosene can now display the Phi Sigma Kappa badge with Brothers Tunis, Verilli, Niedjela and Toczydlowski serving as the donors. Prospects are bright that Brothers Brutcher, Ring and Al Fox, Phi Sig's official envoy to promote better relations with the sororities, will be losing theirs soon. More marriages are in view for the summer as Brothers Baier, Mills and Irzyk plan to join Brother Edwards in June.

Brother Phil Smith, Alpha '97, has seen to it that the house now has three new showers and a whole new shower room will be completed soon. Later on in the summer the house will be painted so that next year Phi Sig will be well prepared to start activities in a house of which they can be proud.

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### OMEGA

#### University of California

By JOHNNY TOELLNER

Omega Chapter is still without a house on campus, but nevertheless functioning and gaining momentum all the time.

Tom James, adviser, and John Toellner, president of Omega, were present at the Region VI Conclave at Omega Deuteron Chapter in February of this year. This gave us a very good chance to become acquainted with our 'Southern Calif. brothers and to discuss mutual problems. The hospitality shown the delegates was overwhelming.

The active chapter and pledges were present at the Founders' Day banquet of the Bay Area Alumni Association held in San Francisco. The food was excellent and a very sociable and enjoyable evening was had by all.

At the beginning of this semester Omega had 6 active members and a

pledge class of 7. On the 23rd of February we journeyed to Palo Alto and with the wonderful cooperation of Nu Deuteron Chapter held a dual initiation. Three Nu Deuteron and 5 Omega pledges were initiated. A marvelous dinner was given us by the Stanford chapter afterwards. A few weeks later the two remaining pledges were initiated in Tom James' apartment. A banquet to honor all new members was held that evening, at which Bill Wood, past national president, Dr. Palm, Director of Region VI, and Walt Ackerman, Field Secretary, were speakers.

Our chapter roll now stands at 13 actives and we are at the present engaged in an extensive pledging program which should make us a good sized organization shortly.

Omegans were once again the guests of Nu Deuteron Chapter at the latter's formal. It was a very good dance and this gracious invitation has helped to give us a nearly complete social calendar and to keep up a fraternity life while without a house.

The Phi Sigs entered a team in the University of California intramural softball program. We won our first game and have suffered two defeats since then. Also in the way of sports, we have Art Poulin on the water polo varsity squad, Dick Roe on the J. V. baseball club and Glenn MacNicholas on the track team.

The way things are looking at the present it may not be too long till we have a house, but at any rate you can be sure that there will always be an Omega Chapter.

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### XI DEUTERON

#### University of Tennessee

By GORDON SAMS

Elliot Lawrence, the famous orchestra leader, beamed as he walked down the steps of the colonial mansion; he looked high up on the white columns at the huge Phi Sigma Kappa crest which il-

luminated the entire lawn. "Never, anywhere, have I had such a grand time gentlemen," he said. "Thanks for everything; it certainly is true, what they say about southern hospitality."

Such was the climax of two consecutive parties given by Xi Deuteron in honor of Elliot Lawrence and his or-



Surrounded by campus belles at the Xi Deuteron house, Elliot Lawrance beams approval on (left to right) Loyd Keener, Virginia Janes, who is present "Miss Tennessee", Marian Drake and "Partey" Shofner.

chestra along with scores of campus "big-wigs" during U. T.'s mid-winter formals. Further elucidation will follow on these two events; at present allow me to summarize other Xi Deuteron activities.

Never, since reactivation, has this chapter been more active than during the past quarter.

Acting as host for the Region III Conclave, entertaining the famous band leader mentioned above and his orchestra at two consecutive parties, entertaining the famous midget, "Johnny," of radio and Phillip Morris fame, holding our annual formal, selecting a lovely Moonlight Girl, placing third in the volleyball tournament, and planning campaigns for spring campus elections are only a few of the many activities we engaged in recently.

Back to the "Lawrence Parties." The most outstanding set of social functions

in the history of fraternity parties at U. T. took place in our house February 27 and 28th. The success of these two functions was verified by our campus and local newspapers. Elliot Lawrence, whose band was voted the best of 1947 by *Look* magazine, played at U.T. for "Nahheeyayli," mid-winter formals, a set of three dances which compose the most prominent social event of the season. During the formals, Lawrence and company more or less made the Phi Sig house their headquarters; both nights, the entire band, (including Lawrence, and renowned vocalists, Rosalind Patton and Jack Hunter) many fraternity and sorority presidents, chief and society editors of campus publications, Phi Sigs and dates, and numerous other campus "swells" were treated to true Xi Deuteron hospitality. Three huge tables covered with white lace and a center-piece of red and white carnations set off in elaborate fashion the many satisfying delicacies at the buffet dinners. Pledges (see picture) wore white coats and did a splendid job of serving, checking wraps, etc. Committees worked with precision on transporting band members on schedule, etc. Compliments still flow into our group in connection with the parties. In our trophy room, huge autographed personal pictures (snapped in our house) of Lawrence and others remind us all and visitors of the swell "symphonic swingmen," whom we will long remember.

Not escaping the campus limelight for a second, Xi Deuteron's next guest of nationwide fame was "Johnny," the Phillip Morris "Call Boy," known to all radio fans. Stars from a local opera, including ballerena Suzzanne Moore, were also feted at this luncheon. "Johnny" had members and guests in stitches all day with his minute antics.

We "hit 'em a lick" again a week later at our annual formal. Presentation of the Phi Sig moonlight girl to the stu-

dent body highlighted the evening. Erie Kate Porter, (see picture) a prominent junior here, who recently was elected "Queen of Hearts" adds "Moonlight girl" to many other campus honors including "U.T. Beauty," treasurer of the Home Ec. club, and publications feature editor; active in many other organizations, she recently won the title of "Home Economics Representative to the All Student's Council office—Erie Kate, who was presented in a ray of moonlight, is truly a Phi Sig gal and she certainly adds to the permanent fixtures around the house. Also during the formal dance, a special no-break was dedicated to our Phi Deuteron brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Redwood Taylor, who were married that same day and drove down to attend our formal. Friendly relations between our chapters was increased still further during recent conclave proceedings; we are looking forward to visiting you "blue grass" men soon.

A gala party followed the formal. A local night club was reserved for Xi Deuterons and guests and all Phi Deuterons were able to motivate by that time. (Rumor has it that Kentucky's Pat Connelly even topped it all off with a breakfast at a local lassie's "abode.")

National President Herbert Brown certainly had all U.T. fraternity men "Phi Sig wise" before he left our campus April 12. Brother Brown, here to preside over the Region Three Conclave, also addressed all fraternity men at U. T. during "Greek Week"; he was the main speaker of the week. We have received many fine compliments on our president since that eventful evening. Prior to the speech, a dinner at our house honored Brother Brown, Brother Earl Schoening, and Dean Ralph Dunford, U.T. dean of students. Brother Brown warned fraternity men that "university administrations are promoting friendly relations with fraternities mainly to re-

lieve the acute housing situation. As soon as this problem is eliminated," he said, "the anti-fraternity wolves and criticizers will again begin to howl." He concluded his splendid oration with an

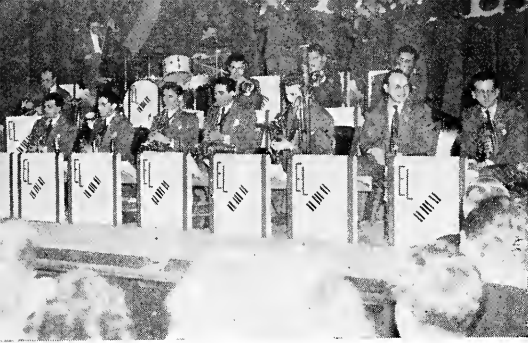


XI DEUTERON'S MOONLIGHT GIRL,  
ERIE KATE PORTER

eight point program which would elevate fraternity principles to such a standard that no adversary could justifiably criticize the Grecian groups.

The next day at 10 a.m., Brother Barret Fuchs' gavel rapped a table in the Blue Room of beautiful Hotel Andrew Johnson — four blocks from our house — to open Region III Conclave proceedings. Many healthy, constructive discussions elapsed from the delegates. Fine spirit and determination ruled both days. Brother Brown discussed several secret matters which will be of great significance to all brothers; Brother Schoening explained the expansion program and many other important issues of port.

A banquet at a local night club and a "smoker" at the Xi Deuteron chapter house claimed Friday night of the



With a Phi Sig red carnation in every lapel, Elliot Lawrance's band "beats it out" in the University of Tennessee gymnasium after leaving the Phi Sig house where they were guests of honor at a mid-winter formal dance set.

week; all delegates were also treated to Brother Fuchs' personal movies of former Region III Conclaves. Those representatives who stayed over Saturday night attended a sorority formal with us and were treated to the charming "you alls" of some of our local yokels.

Before leaving conclave matters, I would like to remind all chapters of Region III that Xi Deuteron is definitely interested in you; please write us at any time, and we will feel free to do likewise, on any matter. Good ideas on rushing, homecoming stunts, decorating and improving chapters in general could and should be exchanged by us all to make Phi Sigma Kappa even more prominent at every school. We'll be looking for your letters.

Brother I. T. (Slicko) Sliger is an unpredictable soul. While we were still rejoicing over "Slicko's" homecoming from the army, he announced his intentions of returning to the U.S. slavery. The Lt. is faring very well though, we understand; he seems to be the General's aide-at Fort Knox, Ky. and report has it that he is serving in an unofficial capacity as the General's daughter's aide also. When he can break away from these strenuous duties, he calls on the Phi Deuteronites at Lexington.

Jack Whiteside, a junior in School of Business Administration, was recently installed as president of this chapter. Jack is also secretary, publicity manager

and lighting manager of the U.T. Playhouse, and, before changing colleges, he was active in the A.S.M.E. Jack replaces L. C. Howse who is a senior, managing editor of the *Tennessee Farmer*, a member of the Block and Bridle club, winner of the Sear's Scholarship Award and holder, at different times, of all Phi Sigma Kappa offices.

Gordon Sams, a journalism sophomore from Knoxville, was installed as vice-president. A member of the Nahheeyli Governing Board, Gordon replaces Marvin Tarpy, president of the Newman Club and editor of the *Tennessee Farmer*.

Former U.T. swimming teamster, Frank Hendricks, a sophomore from Chattanooga in the School of Business Administration, was re-elected secretary.

George Clement, a senior in the College of Law from Flint, Michigan, was re-elected treasurer, George has served as past president, sentinel, F.R.B. representative of Phi Sigma Kappa, Intramural manager and served on A.S.C. council. He was a Delta Psi Omega in 1942.

Past junior warden and present scribe of Delta Sigma Pi, Robin Johnson, a junior from Somerville, Tennessee was re-elected sentinel.

Mrs. Pearl S. Billings, Kingston, Tennessee, former Trustee of Roane County, is our new housemother. Mrs. Billings has taken over the duties of Mrs. Elizabeth Wright who is now dietitian at the Cherokee Country Club. Mrs. Billings' son, Jack, attended U.T. in 1942 and is now employed by a New York banking firm. President of the Kingston American Legion Auxiliary for three years, Mrs. Billings was also active in church and P.T.A. work. We are all pleased with our new "Mom"; scores of bouquets from various friends have littered the house expressing congratulations since Mrs. Billings' arrival.

Since the last SIGNET issue, we have added several new men to our fraternal roster. Two initiations have admitted the following brothers:



Dave Dodson, recently elected to the Athletic Council by a huge majority of student votes (under the auspices of political dynamo, Joe Rogoski) has wasted no time in making a name for himself. A sophomore in Agricultural Engineering, Dave was also a prominent figure during his stay at U.T. Junior College. He was president of the All Students Club, president of his Freshman class, president of the Engineer's Club and freshman representative on the A.S.C.

Dave's brother, (blood brother that is) Bill Dodson, promises to give "D.D." considerable competition. Holder of many high school offices, Bill is fast becoming an asset to our group.

Brothers Charlie Eastland, Livingston, Tenn.; John Gray, Lynchburg, Tenn.; and Jack Webster from Memphis are all sophomores in the college of Engineering. These men were all high school class officers and are right in the thick of things here at Xi Deuteron.

Brother Eastland is in charge of forming a "Mothers and Wives Club". Any suggestions from chapters with this type of organization would be appreciated.

Prior to last week's Conclave, we initiated nine more brothers. These men sat in on several Conclave discussions, met Brothers Brown, Schoening, Fuchs, and numerous delegates, giving them a good start in chapter and national affairs. These newly-acquired gentlemen are: Curtiss Barnes, a freshman in Mechanical Engineering from Chattanooga; Joe Barger, also a freshman in Mech. Eng. from Dayton; Ramond "Red" Chesnutt, a freshman in Ag. Engineering from Fayetteville; Lee Corlew, an Ag. Eng. Sophomore from Waynesboro; Herman Hyder, a Law student from Kingsport; Curtiss Overton, a junior in Agriculture from Tazwell; Jerry Robinson, a freshman in Electrical Engineering from Mt. Juliet; Jack Ramsay, a freshman in pre-forestry from Old Hickory; and John Reviere, a freshman.

We have also pledged four new men. They are: Clarence Chesnutt, from Fayetteville; Paul Hardiman, from Pulaski; Alan Hardison, from Mt. Pleasant; and Floyd Hutchinson, from Rockwood. All of these men hail from within our state.

This morning we received a most welcome letter from Brother Hoffacker, from Lambda Chapter at Washington.



Back to the dance after a gala intermission party at the Phi Sig house go past Xi Deuteron prexy "Red" House, vocalist Roseland Patton, Vice-president Gordon Sams and Elliot Lawrance.

We want to thank him for his generous comments and your delegation's fine constructive work during the Region Three Conclave. I am sure a closer bond between us all has been attained; Lambda Chapter certainly has done and is doing her part toward this goal.

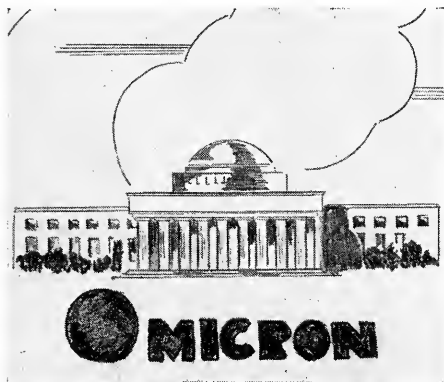
As a closing remark, I would like to place more emphasis on our desire to know more about your chapter and, at the same time, enlighten you further on our activities; surely, we can all go further with more rapidity on our various campuses with conscientious exchanges of ideas.

We enjoyed to the utmost the presence of our brothers from throughout Region III this quarter; Xi Deuteron feels honored to be a portion of an organization which embodies such fine men.

Well men, see ya next issue; right now I've gotta run down to the ball

park; our softball team is in the grueling process of literally "beating hell" out of the Delta Sigs.

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### Massachusetts Institute of Technology

As this is being written, the Omicron boys are returning from the first intramural softball game of the season. The story given by the coach, Don Jenkins, is that after the starting team gave Pitcher George Wetmore an eight run lead in the first inning it was clear sailing. The boys *are* pretty good, though, and hopes of winning the spring series are high.

While the softball game was going on, our group of embryo aviators were out getting time in their flying club's Taylorcraft. Among the wild blue boys are Dick White, Woody Rowles, Bob Voges, Bob Weber, Kozy Kozachewicz and Tom Twomey, with ex-Naval Aviator Ralph Evans lending an occasional bit of know-how.

Also active these first spring days are Johnny Adams, Al Porson, Don Jenkins, Ned Bowman and Ted LaPier of the golf team. The boys are getting in a few early season rounds to get a few strokes off their handicaps before taking on teams from other fraternities.

Sandwiched among schoolwork and the various activities is the never-neglected social life of the Phi Sigs. The fifth annual Jolly Weaver Party was one of

the better parties of the winter season here at Tech. Three hundred guests sang and danced away an enjoyable evening at a Jolly Weaver that will be talked about until next winter brings another of these popular functions. Of increasing popularity, too, are the informal dances with music supplied by a small orchestra which are given monthly here at Omicron.

Studies aren't being neglected by our boys. Phi Sig has been well above the school average in scholastic accomplishment for several terms now. Many of the brothers have transferred to the new and fast-growing School of Engineering and Business Administration. Nevertheless, most of the fellows continue in mechanical, electrical, chemical, or civil engineering.

There has been much talk around the Omicron supper table about what would happen if all the Phi Sigs were to skip a crew practice. It seems there are no less than seventeen brothers who make the daily pilgrimage up to the Tech boathouse for a bit of crewin'.



PRESIDENT JACK LEONARD

To begin with the heavyweight varsity boat, there is Bill Reynolds at seven and "Big John" Rudolf holding down the number six seat. The seven spot of the jayvee boat is capably filled by Ned Bowman. The third varsity boat contains no Phi Sig oarsmen and

we at Omicron hope this is still true at the end of the season. As far as the varsity coxswains go the lads from 487 Commonwealth have a clean sweep of all three boats. Willy Grant, Jack Leonard and Don Jenkins don't feel at all bad about this Phi Sig monopoly. Brothers Leonard and Rudolf carried Omicron's colors to far off Seattle last June when the MIT crew came in a close second. In the 150 pound division Bob Grott as coxswain and oarsman Ronnie Greene are doing their bit to get Omicron represented in all the varsity boats. Don McGuire and Bob Weber hold down the coxswain and five spot in the varsity

freshman boat. To round out the picture are Bob Michel, Jack Blum, Don Smith and Howie Bill—several young freshman oarsmen.

These aren't the only Phi Sigs down at the boathouse, though; Omicron's brothers are also the power behind the throne, the men that run crew. These include Manager John Redpath, Ass't Manager George Wetmore and Head Launch-driver Dick Potter.

Although crew may overshadow other Phi Sig activities in quantity it does not do so in quality. The MIT Nautical Association, the Institute's largest activity, has been intercollegiate sailing cham-



OMICRON BOYS' AT CREW

Left to right, standing: Don Smith, Bill Reynolds, Jack Blum, Ronnie Greene, Bob Michel, Bob Weber, John Rudolf, Howie Bill and Ned Bowman. Kneeling: Bill Grant, Bob Grott, George Wetmore, Jack Leonard, Don Jenkins and Don McGuire.



Left to right, top row: John, Just Plain Bill and Lucky. Middle row: Bob, Johnny and Ralph. Bottom row: Dick, Fred and Fred.

pion in six out of the past ten years. At the helm of the Association as commodore for the coming season is Brother Ralph Evans. Ralph has been rated the second best skipper in national competition. Numbered among our other sailors are Bill Crawford, Dick White, Bob Michel and Howie Bill.

Track is a very popular Beaver sport which has brought many laurels to Technology. Returning letterman Tom Folger will try to better his past performance in the javelin while freshman Paul Fleming tries his hand at pole vaulting. It might bear mentioning that Brother Folger is also president of the Tech chapter of the Army Ordnance Association.

Omicron's two contributions to the staff of "The Tech", the college newspaper, are Pledge Jim Hooper and Brother Ronnie Greene. Tech's most famous publication, "VooDoo", the comic monthly, is headed by Walt Kisluk, whose title reads General Manager.

The Interfraternity Council, which acts as the governing body to fraternities besides sponsoring the annual I.F.C. Dance, has Phi Sig Willy Grant on its executive and dance committees.

M.I.T.'s two undergraduate honor societies, Beaver Key, a junior organization, and the Quadrangle, a sophomore group, are well stocked with boys from Omicron. Our Beaver Key men include Bill Grant, Ralph Evans and Bill Reynolds, secretary of the organization. In the Q Club are brothers John Redpath, Hap Horn and Ronnie Greene. Brother Greene is also treasurer of the Soph Prom Committee, which threw its highly successful dance last March.

In a closing second let us throw the spotlight back on crew where the Tech Boat Club selects its members. Officers in the organization include Brother Jack Leonard, commodore, and Bill Reynolds, sec'y-treas.



#### OMICRON'S PLEDGES

Left to right, standing: Bob Michel, Howie Bill, Jim Hooper, John Roy and Sumner Torrey. Sitting: Jack Blum, Don Smith, Paul Fleming and Steve Davenport.

#### NU Lehigh University

By JERRY O'BRIEN

Carrying on in their long established tradition, the Phi Sigs of Nu continue to be active at Lehigh University scholastically, athletically and socially. The spring semester, still in its infancy, has been highlighted by several events worthy of note. One of the most important of these was the pledging of John Avey, Don Berndt, Jim Bridgman, Rudy Burger, Mario D'Antonio, Bob Laible, Jack Lamson, Randy McMullen, Ted Minde and Bill Purdy. Brother Snyder, chairman of the rushing committee, is to be commended for performing such a fine job of guiding these men to Nu Chapter.

Representatives of Nu, at the invitation of Mu Chapter, University of Pennsylvania, attended the Founders' Day banquet at the University Club in Philadelphia. Speakers at the banquet were Grand President Brown, who outlined his policy of administration, and Brother Cedric Foster, who recounted his interview with General MacArthur and warned of impending disaster resulting from the irreconcilable differences existing between the communistic and capitalistic worlds. Those representing Nu were active Brothers Schmidt, Ridinger and Wilson and alumni Brothers Ed Curtis, Pat and Phil Damiani, Joe Hunter and Paul Sloat.

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#### PI DEUTERON PLEDGES

Left to right, first row: Nick Travasso, Dave Hollinger, Sam Ware, Dick Slyker and Mike Orr. Second row: Jim Willis, Gene Altenberger, Earl Hayes, Bud Sinkhorn, Gordon Bricker and Gene Diehl. Third row: Kenny Snow, John Gabriel, Bob Brebberman, Bill Haynes, Jerry Frost, John Imhoff, Ralph Snyder and Ted Taggart.

The spring social season got under way with a gala hayride followed by a party and dance. Plans have been made for the houseparty week-end of May 9, 10th 11th, and the chapter house has been converted into a beehive of activity in preparation for the arrival of houseparty guests.

The name of Phi Sigma Kappa has resounded on the campus of Lehigh University due to the efforts of Nu chapter's athletes. Brother Jimmy Wilson took second place in the 165 lb. class of the Middle Atlantic Wrestling Matches and Pledge Don Berndt captured third place in the heavyweight class of the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Meet by pinning the highly touted Newbold Smith of Navy. Upholding the name of Nu on the lacrosse field, Brothers Tom Johnston, Bob Wallick and John Young, as well as Pledge Bill Purdy, have gained berths on the Lehigh lacrosse team. With a tough football schedule looming up in the fall, Brothers Dittmar and Hattal and Pledges Berndt, Bridgman, Burger and Minde are engaged in spring training. From all indications, they certainly will see much service when falling leaves announce the return of football season. Brother Chesnut is once again performing yoeman's service as manager of the football squad. Not to be outdone, Nu retained its position as one of the scholastic leaders of the University. Brother Wallick has brought distinction upon himself and the chapter by being

elected to membership in Eta Kappa Nu, the national honorary fraternity for students of electrical engineering.

Actively engaged in the University musical production of the "Pirates of Penzance" are Brothers Glenn, Chestnut and Stoeltzing. Pledge D'Antonio is busy writing feature articles for the *Brown and White*, Lehigh's newspaper.

In short, Nu Chapter has a well-rounded house. It is inevitable that Phi Sigma Kappa will be among the most prominent living groups at Lehigh University.

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#### PI DEUTERON Ohio State University

By DICK CONRAD

Pi Deuteron was very proud to pledge seven new members at its last meeting. Those who were pledged are Sam Ware, Mike Orr, Nick Travasso, John Imhoff, Dick Slyher, Dave Hollinger and Bob Brebberman. This now gives Pi Deuteron a total of 20 pledges.

Newly-elected officers of the active chapter are Bill Condon, president; Harry Chyle, vice-president; Dan Garst, secretary; Joe Shaw, treasurer; Keith Miller, inductor; and Dick Conrad, sentinel.

Our basketball team made a very good showing by taking second place in their league. Our softball team looks very promising for the coming spring softball season. A little more practice and they will be ready for all competition. Gene Altenburger is our golf expert, while Keith Miller is our track man, his specialty being broad jump.

Brother John Gabriel recently heard wedding bells down in old Hillsboro. We wish "Dottie" and he the best of everything.

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#### DELTA DEUTERON University of Michigan

By WILLIAM L. DIEFENBACH

Punctuating the new semester with a highly successful rushing session, Delta

Deuteron Chapter pledged twenty-nine new men on March 3, 1947, as the result of a well-organized program under the direction of Rushing Chairman Art Miller. With the firm guidance of Inductor Dave (Duty Roster) Pontius, the new pledge crop is busily engaged in chapter house improvements, including a renovation of the basement rooms. Three dining room tables have had to be built to handle the main hall overflow at the Friday night pledge dinners.

This new class consists of: Hugh Allerton, Jr., Detroit, Mich.; R. Glenn Bauer, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Gordon F. Belgium, Ferndale, Mich.; Roy H. Brogren, Detroit, Mich.; James R. Burton, Lansing, Mich.; Philip E. Burton, Lansing, Mich.; Gustav A. Butterbach, Pinconning, Mich.; Jack L. Court, Ann Arbor, Mich.; John M. Cox, Detroit, Mich.; Rex E.

Curtis, Cadillac, Mich.; Louis M. Dyll, Detroit, Mich.; Donald H. Gray, Ann Arbor, Mich.; William F. Haberman, Hammond, Ind.; William J. Harrison, Shelby, Mich.; Lexie E. Herrin II, Royal Oak, Mich.; Donald D. Hostetler, Detroit, Mich.; James I. Huston, Detroit, Mich.; Maxwell P. Iverson, Detroit, Mich.; William S. Jones, Detroit, Mich.; Edward G. Lipp, South Bend, Ind.; Joseph Naymik, Flint, Mich.; Arnold J. Phillips, Plymouth, Mich.; Richard M. Rappley, Flint, Mich.; John A. Salles, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Glenn W. Schneider, Detroit, Mich.; Leland P. Stewart, Detroit, Mich.; John I. Swanson, Albion, Mich.; Dale Van Otteren, East Grand Rapids, Mich.; and Philip J. West, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Spring initiation preceded the rushing period, and the following new mem-



SPRING PLEDGE CLASS

Left to right, front row: Rex Curtis, Don Hostetler, John Cox, Glen Bauer, Don Gray, Gus Butterbach. Second row: Hugh Allerton, Max Iverson, Dick Rappley, Lou Dyll, Bill Haberman, Gordon Belgium, Jim Huston, Phil Burton. Third row: Dale Van Otteren, Jack Court, Bill Harrison, John Swanson, Lee Stewart, Ed Lipp, John Salles, Jim Burton. Fourth row: Roy Brogren, Lex Herrin, Arnold Phillips, Phil West, Glen Schneider and Joe Naymik.



bers were inducted on February 22: Arthur F. Basset, Jr., William L. Diefenbach, Robert C. Engel, Howard K. Face, Richard S. Gross, William D. McAninch, William P. Schriner and Charles F. Towar.

Between semesters a formal dinner and breakfast were held at the chapter house for those attending the annual J-Hop. The forty-odd celebrants tripped through snow drifts down to the Intramural Building to dance to the music of Jimmie Lunceford and Ziggy Ellman, and then dragged themselves back for breakfast at 3 a. m., at the end of a long evening. Alumni Brothers Harold Adler and Nerv Walsh and their wives chaperoned the event.

The Pledge Formal was the next social affair at the chapter house on March 22, preceeded by a dinner at the Michigan Union. Present and past Delta Deuteron Alumni presidents were honor guests: Mr. and Mrs. Justin C. Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. A. Colton Park. The Adlers and Walshes again chaperoned.

An exchange dinner with the members of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority completed the social activities on March 26, up to press time.

Two auxiliary members of the chapter have performed yoeman service during the new year; Lana and the "Mayflower". Lana is a white cocker spaniel, new house mascot, who cuddled up on the laps of all the prospects during the rushing period but now refuses to pay attention to any of them as pledges. The "Mayflower" is Dave Pontius' galloping ghost of Seneca Falls; a door-free, high-riding, rain sieve; omnibus for campus-bound brethren; whose free-swinging flaps are the bane of Ann Arbor pedestrians; whose crank substitutes for out-of-service "PT", and whose progenitor will probably lay claim to his work for his museum at Greenfield Village. This circa '28 Model A bounds out of the orchard mud on posted schedule, and is serving "John Silver" Pontius until the

VA and a local Dodge dealer get together on a five-month back-order. Individual splash guards, books, laundry, and ten passengers bail out into the parking lake behind the "Ec" building twice daily.

Last semester's chapter president, vice-president, secretary and sentinel, Al Engel, Dick Lapidos, Jim MacDonald and Al Little, have been replaced by the following officers: Al Little as prexy this time, Bill McAninch, Howard Face and Chuck Towar, in the order of office named. Treasurer Orlyn (Lou) Lewis and Inductor Dave Pontius continue in those offices.

Some of the individual members have been in the campus news lately. Joe Egan garnered an all-A record for the second semester in a row. Pledge John Cox, president of the Engineering Council, headed the recent Engineering School Open House, featuring laboratory apparatus and the new university installation at Willow Run Airport. Bill McAninch was made a member of the Physical Education Club, and Jim MacDonald was initiated into Sigma Delta Chi, honorary professional journalism fraternity. He was also elected president of the U. of M. Journalism Society at its first meeting.

The chapter "Oil Can" trophy for "continuous, conscientious, and contrived criticism" has been awarded to Bill Schriner for his efforts during the past year. The "Loyalty Cup" for outstanding devotion to house activities on the part of sophomores went to Chuck Towar, perennial song leader, the man who always knows one more verse.

Brothers Lapidos, McAninch, Diefenbach and Lewis worked with the "spooks" (ooops!) and a neighboring sorority on a Michigras Carnival booth featuring "seances" in a haunted den.

After rather sad efforts in the bowling and swimming meets, the Baldwin Boys are preparing a bang-up baseball team for the post-vacation period.

The entire chapter sends greetings to



Brother John Zimmerman, down in the Sunny South, with the hope that he is fast recovering from his recent ailments.

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### GAMMA TRITON

University of South Carolina

By VASSAR ESSLINGER

Gamma Triton reposes peacefully now after her most successful and pleasant year. Nothing has been lacking as



First prize winners at Gamma Triton's Costume Ball were, left to right, Brothers Bill Gantt and N. G. Broadway.

far as fraternal life goes. Of course, it is with regret that we lose some of our senior members but that has to be and our pledge crop is one of the best in our history.

Social life has not suffered, in spite of the greatly increased scholastic and athletic standing. We have had several parties, dances, etc., each seeming to be tops, only to be exceeded by the following one. A very large part of the success of these functions was due wholly to the untiring efforts and abilities of Brothers Bill Donly, Hugh Winters and Allen Driggers and Pledges Gary Witherspoon and Earl Ziegler.

Founders' Day was celebrated with the most successful formal banquet and ball of the season. Our chapter president, Bill Cooper, was master of cere-

monies and we heard excellent speeches from our new chapter adviser, Arnold Muir, and Dr. Joe E. Norwood, Dean of Arts and Sciences. Brother K. Espedal, a member from Georgia Tech, was also present for our formal.

Two other parties were outstanding enough to merit publicity in the local newspapers. One was a cabaret party in which the highlight was a radio script written by Brother Bill Donly and a few vocal numbers by our chapter's own "Sexytet and One Married Man". The other was a costume party the pledges gave in honor of the active members. Brothers N. G. Broadway and Bill Gantt walked away with the honors of being most unique followed by Brothers Johnny Bradham, Bill Caughman, George Morgan and Pledge "Moe" Driggers.



Brother George Morgan and a very shy Alice Mullis at Gamma Triton's Costume Ball.

Campus politics are usually at a standstill this semester at Carolina but of the few officers that were selected Brother Nick Hamilton was elected Secretary of the Interfraternity Council.

Sports seem to be our chief claim to campus glory right now. We lead the Interfraternity bowling league by a very



Gamma Triton vocal group at a recent party. Left to right: Bill Donly, Lewis Harbin, Tommy Smeltzer, Talmadge Skinner and Gus Watson.

comfortable margin, and the softball team is shaping up well under the hands of Brothers "Great White Way" Reeves and "Gator" Morgan, while the chapter's honors were furthered in the school diving contest by Brother Lewis Harbin placing in the finals. Our representatives on the varsity track team are Brother Jim Hunnycutt, veteran track and football star, and Pledge "Red" Wilson, a freshman this year who played outstanding



Jim Hunnycutt, Gamma Triton's track star in dashes.

football on this past season's varsity team. Our chapter representative on the varsity baseball team is Pledge "Red" Wilson, who's doubling on the track and baseball

team. Brother George Morgan was the outstanding man in the intramural track meet and would be on the varsity team were it not for a couple of courses in Biology. Pledge Len Ekimoff, veteran football star, was a member of the varsity basketball team this past fall.



Polishing Gamma Triton's trophies are, left to right: Gary Witherspoon, Ralph Gross and Bill Donly. Oh yes, the helpful one with his back facing you is the chapter mascot.

Among the "ole grads" returning to Columbia for business reasons are the following: Ewell Black, who has just returned from an advertising school in New York to accept a position on the local town paper; Joe Munnerlyn, who is using Columbia as his headquarters, is working in the automotive business, but spends most of his time at varsity baseball and chapter softball games. Work? Brother Hugh Winters recently gave up scholastic ambitions and accepted work with a local concern. We'll miss his beaming face and the "tooth". Brother Arthur Spitz, a former member, came by the chapter house recently after completing a course in optometry in Memphis, Tenn. We wish him luck in the "outside" world.

Easter holidays saw a flurry of golf clubs and beach ventures by most of the chapter. The veterans, Brother Bill Cooper and Pledge Conklin Jackson, led the parade to the local fairways with Brothers Gene Jackson, Dick McCabe, Bill Donly and N. G. Broadway, and

Pledges Darrell Johnson and Frank McGrath running close behind.

Our Conclave delegates to Knoxville, Tennessee were Secretary Bill Donly, Treasurer Henry Gaddis and Inductor Tommy Smeltzer.

This item is one not to be left for we can't help but remember that "In the Spring, a young man's fancy often turns to thoughts of romance" and it certainly holds true here in the "dear ole Southland" with Brother Allen Driggers having recently passed his pin to Lib Littlejohn—and Brother Johnny Bradham being equally fortunate in pinning Cathy Bryan, both girls being co-eds at U.S.C. Pledge Darrell Johnson is probably our furthest advanced as he is planning to take "the step" this coming summer.

Ye ole scribe now bids you "goodbye" until the October edition.

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#### Franklin and Marshall College

Pi's strenuous rushing season in the fall of 1946 produced the group of newly initiated brothers pictured in the group photograph. With the largest freshman class in Franklin and Marshall's history to warm the rushing chairman's heart, Pi Chapter went ahead and pledged one of the largest classes in the memory of the actives. Of these, seventeen were initiated in impressive ceremonies. This class brings the number of active brothers to seventy-four, giving to Phi Sigma Kappa the largest fraternity membership on Franklin and Marshall's campus. There are 5 pledges to Phi Sigma Kappa at Pi Chapter. These are: Tom Campbell, Paul Pollack, Jack Albright, Swift Lockhart and Edward Lautenschlager.

After a rigorous pledge training this class was initiated in time to wear their Phi Sig jewels to the Interfraternity Ball held at Maple Grove on March 7, 1947. After the ball the Phi Sigs gathered in the chapter house for an informal break-

fast chaperoned by Professor and Mrs. Bell and Dean J. S. Barr of Franklin and Marshall College. Phi Sig Dean Barr had an expert hand in the brewing of some excellent coffee for the gang. Saturday night the Phi Sigs combined with the Sigma Pi's in a dance at the Stevens House.

The big event of the IF Week-end was the announcement by "Ziggy" Elman, leader of the IF orchestra, of the engagement of Miss Bette Jane Lewis to Phi Sig William Rump, Pi '48. Earlier a cocktail party had been held in honor of Miss Lewis by the married veteran couples in East Hall. The marriage is planned for this June. Miss Lewis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Lewis of Martinsburg, West Virginia. She studied at Hood College for one year and is now a sophomore at Shepard College, West Virginia. A former Lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps, Bill met Bette while he was on leave in Ohio visiting friends.

Pi Chapter has been ably represented on F & M's athletic teams in recent months. Starring on the varsity soccer team were three Phi Sigs, Bill Barr, Aurele Van DeWeghe and Bob Muehe. Simultaneously starring for football were Abe Ashby and Jerry James while Bill Rump ably managed the gridders. The swimming team was lead this season by a man wearing a Phi Sig pin, Paul Edwards, who swam the 100, 220, and 440 free-style events and was elected permanent captain by his fellow tankmen. Other varsity Phi Sig mermen were George Abel and Bill Rump. On the courts for the Diplomats were two more Phi Sigs, Bob Muehe and Edward Potteiger. This spring finds these two men with Pledge Swift Lockart again in F & M's early baseball practices. Brother George Abel is out for track.

A special honor on the F & M campus is membership in the Green Room Club, which sponsors and produces better than average college dramatics under the di-

rection of Darrell Larsen. The Green Room Club received special notice for its production of *The Moon is Down* in Theatre Arts Magazine and for *The Dutchess of Malfi* in Time Magazine in past years. Membership is elective after service in at least two productions. Pi Chapter has traditionally been a large factor in the success of this Club. Starring recently in *A Comedy of Errors* was Edward Brubaker while Carl Gehron had a minor part. More recently produced was *Blythe Spirit*. Stage manager for both productions was Phi Sig Bill Caldwell, whose stage setting for the latter play was especially outstanding. Business managers for both productions were Phi Sigs Bill Zinzow and George Murdock. Business manager of the Green Room Productions is one of the most responsible and envied undergrad-

uate positions on the campus. Other Phi Sigs active in this Club are Jim Dolan, who has a role in the next production, Dean Caldwell and Dick Groff. Ed Brubaker is secretary of this Club.

The man who takes the pictures for Pi Chapter, Bill Woerner, Pi '49, also has the responsible position of official photographer for Franklin and Marshall College. His professional touch with the shutter in getting movies of sports events, feature pictures for the Alumni News and publicity shots for the college has won him this coveted position on the campus.

While a pledge to Phi Sigma Kappa, James Humphreville was elected treasurer of the freshman class. Brother Art Switzer is president of the junior class, and Pledge Paul Pollack represents his class on the Student Council. On the



PI CHAPTER

Left to right, first row: Dean Caldwell, William Rump, Martin Markel, Kenneth Schmidt, George Rutter and James Humphreville. Second row: Henry Rebman, Jr., James Ring, Carl Gehron, George Abel and Robert Thompson. Third row: Richard Taylor, Jack Zarker, Donald Babcock and Carl Kauffman.

staff of the Student Weekly are Phi Sigs Louis Velotti and Jim Stoner.

Invited to join the recently reorganized Post Prandial Club were Marlin Schreiner and Tom Thatcher. Practice in after-dinner speaking is given to the six juniors and six seniors composing the Club.

It was recently announced that Phi Sig Richard Vaughn, Pi '41, of Lancaster would again enter National AAU Competition for the heavyweight wrestling crown. Having been a past winner three times, a victory this year will set a new record in that division. Good luck, Dick!

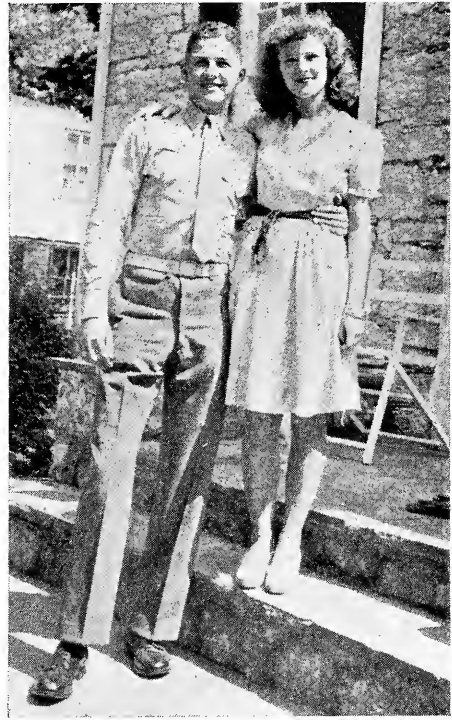
Pi Chapter Alumni Club of Philadelphia held a Phi Sig banquet at Palumbo's in Philadelphia on March 14. Many of the actives attended this affair, which is again planned to be an annual event. Under the stimuli of Brothers Alfred Hartley, Pi '35, and Dick Reinhart, Pi '36, this group has very actively helped Pi Chapter in the past months. As the result of a campaign sponsored by them over a thousand dollars has been donated towards improvements on the chapter house. The chapter appreciates greatly the active help and guiding hands of this alumni group.

Led by President Gregg Breitegan and his cohorts, Dick Helm, Bill Zeigler, Marlin Schreiner, Carl Freidhofer and Bill Thatcher, Pi Chapter is getting ahead in building a fraternity which is leading the campus.

An announced engagement is that of Miss Bynrece L. Weise and Brother J. Marlin Shreiner, Pi '48, both of Ephrata, Pennsylvania. Miss Wiese is the daughter of Mrs. Beulah Wiese. Brother Shreiner served with the army air corps and is now a pre-law student at Franklin and Marshall College. A post-graduation June wedding is planned.

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### **DELTA TRITON Purdue University**

By RALPH R. BEAVER

After a very welcome week of vacation the Phi Sigs of the Delta Triton Chapter are back to "hitting the books." It has been difficult to study though, when the sun is shining so brightly. Spring is sprung, and in the spring a young man's fancy . . .

Heartiest congratulations to these recently-initiated brothers: Richard McHenry, Wayne Sommers, Richard Bonham, Paul Bonham and Fred McLimore, the retired pledge captain. The remaining pledges have elected Pledge Bill Boden to be the successor of Brother McLimore.

Borrowing the idea from Alpha Deuteron, Delta Triton Chapter entertained the sorority housemothers, co-op housemothers, the housemothers of the University halls, and the Dean of Women

at a formal dinner. The men really enjoyed the evening they spent with the ladies and hope to do it again in the near future.

Men who have been pledged since the last issue of *The Signet* are: Steve Weister, Bill Kohler, Don Post, Jerry Banker and Ed Schnautz. All are at present living outside the house, and Pledges Weister and Kohler are married.

Brother Gilbert Betulius, alias "Beef", has been pledged to Skull and Crescent, national sophomore honorary fraternity.

The pledges recently gave their annual dance, which proved to be the best pledge dance given for quite some time and which everyone seemed to greatly enjoy.

Other recent social activities included a trade dinner with the Chi Omega sorority and a trade dance with the Delta Gammas.

Brother Harold McKee is on the P Men Blanket Hop Dance committee. He also informs us that he is one of the men who will be awarded a blanket at the dance. The P blankets are given only to senior letter men. Brother McKee has been a manager of athletic activities for four years.

A forensic contest on the Purdue campus is at this writing in its third round. The number of contestants has been greatly cut, but the Phi Sigs are still in the race with the able representation of Brother McKee and Pledge John Jones.

The fraternities on the Purdue campus have organized politically to offset a political machine set in operation by the independents. Brother Joe Robinson was chosen to be our political adviser.

From the number of trade picnics and dinners coming up the Purdue Phi Sigs are becoming socially prominent. The Junior Prom, Greek Week and numerous other activities have kept us socially busy lately and promise to keep us just as busy for weeks to come.

## **ZETA TRITON** **Montana State College**

*By* HAROLD KARTUM

Spring quarter elections brought few changes in officers. Walt Narkevic remained president; Joe Murray, vice-president; Butch Milne, secretary; and Jack Howard, inductor. New officers are: Ross Peace, treasurer; and John Webster, sentinel.

Beginning of spring quarter found the house once more completely filled by the moving in of these recent pledges: Robert Gudgel, Joe Henske, Dan Harris, Fred Howard, John Swartz, and Jack Dugan. Congratulations to the new pledges and "welcome home" to Hershel Birrer, who is back after one quarter out of school.

Our debator, John Webster, is still going strong, recently winning two debates against a team from the University of Montana.

Spring basketball got underway with Walt Narkevic back in training.

Phi Sig pages to Intercollegiate Knights are Frank Jones, John Webster and Joe Henske. Congratulations, Fellows.

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## **RHO DEUTERON** **Gettysburg College**

*By* SHARP PAXSON

The biggest news from here is the highly successful Founders' Day Program we held on Saturday, March 15. At 2:00 p.m. alumni and actives assembled in the Gettysburg Seminary's "Chapel of the Abiding Presence" to attend a memorial service for Gold Star Brothers Latrobe Barnitz, '35, Richard Holland, '39, and Theodore Englehart, '40. Brother Rev. Charles Aurand, '44, served as Liturgist and Brother Dr. William Waltemyer, '08, gave the scripture reading and prayer. Brother Dr. Stewart W. Herman, '99, National Chaplain, de-

livered the meditation. Miss Miriam McCarney was the organist.

Following the service, all returned to the college campus where the Alumni Ancestors defeated the Active All-Stars by a score of 12 to 7 in a softball game. It was plain to see that some of the "old boys" still had their pep.

Shortly after 6:00 p.m. alumni and their wives and the chapter entered the Hotel Gettysburg Dining Room for the Eleventh Annual Alumni Reunion and Founders' Day Banquet. It marked the twenty-second anniversary of our chapter as a part of Phi Sigma Kappa and was the Golden Anniversary Celebration of our Druid forefathers. A number of Druids were present and took a bow when the group sang "Happy Birthday to the Druids". The roast turkey dinner was enjoyed by 165 people, seated at individual tables decorated with a red carnation and fern centerpiece. The speakers' table was decorated with red carnations and daffodils. The Gettysburg College Interfraternity Council sent a beautiful basket of daffodils and snapdragons as a token of congratulation on the Druids' Golden Anniversary.

Dr. Herman opened the banquet with the Invocation. Singing followed the meal and then Dr. Kenneth Smoke, Pi Deuteron, our chapter adviser and head of the college Psychology Department, acting as toastmaster, introduced the honored guests and speaker. In extending the campus welcome, College President Henry W. A. Hanson recalled the early Druids and their fine ideals. He noted that many Phi Sigs have entered the idealistic professions and said that this must continue.

National President Herbert L. Brown presented his five point objectives for Phi Sigma Kappa: (1) to get chapters to seriously follow their aims and ideals, (2) to expand to 60 chapters, (3) to create a better understanding among chapters of the program of the national



RHO DEUTERON'S NEWLY INITIATED BROTHERS

Left to right, bottom row: Lescaleet, Gotwald, J. Miller, S. Ehrhart, Weaner and Horner. Second row: Houser, Gleichman, J. Zimmerman, Houseworth, Sperry and Emlet. Third row: Derrick, Otley, Ott, Schwartz, Venable and Shook. Fourth row: Holland, Clemens and Sanner. Fifth row: Woolson, McClung, Copeland and Rudisill. Top row: Gormley, G. Miller, Hopkins and Hassler.

fraternity, (4) to create closer alumni relations both locally and nationally, and, (5) to establish a Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation for loans to needy students. We were very happy to have President Brown as our guest Friday and Saturday. Friday evening he presided with Brother Dr. Tome over a discussion group in the chapter house held in conjunction with the college Interfraternity Week-end.

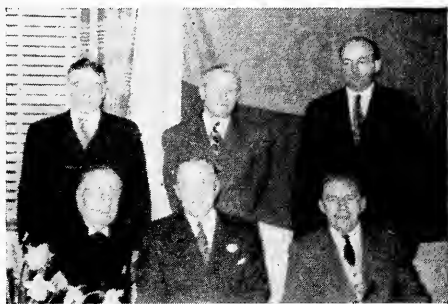
Dean Wilbur E. Tilberg of the college was introduced and was very generous in his compliments of Rho Deuteron's standing on the campus. He stated that Gettysburg College was "committed to the fraternity system and we think it is fine". Regional Director Frederick Griswold was introduced, and remarked that he was looking forward to future visits with the chapter.

Brother Smoke then introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. E. S. Frey, '32, of Lemoyne, Pennsylvania. During his speech, at one moment the entire group was rocking with laughter and the next every brother was realizing his good fortune in being a member of Phi Sigma Kappa. Brother Frey's fine speech topped a wonderful evening.

The group then adjourned from the hotel to the chapter house, where coffee and cookies were served in the dining



room and bull sessions continued for some time. The chapter was happy and grateful for the privilege of meeting and playing host to so many alumni and their wives. The committee in charge of Founders' Day included Bob Nem-eschy, chairman, Frank Bretz, Jess Otley,



Present at Rho Deuteron's Founders' Day Banquet were, left to right, seated: National Chaplain Dr. Stewart Herman, President Henry W. A. Hanson of Gettysburg College and Rev. E. S. Frey, speaker. Standing: Frederick Griswold, Regional Director of Region II, National President Herbert L. Brown and Dr. Kenneth Smoke, Chapter Adviser and toastmaster.

Bob O'Connell, Bill Zimmerman and John Depfer.

At a meeting of alumni before the banquet in the chapter dining room, the Alumni Council for the chapter was elected. Three year members include Carl Chronister, Sam Schreckengaust and Ken Hall. Two year members are J. Maurice Musselman, S. F. Snyder and J. William McIlhenny. Clark Bricker and John Saby are one year members. Council officers are Hull, president; Snyder, vice-president; Musselman, secretary; and Schreckengaust, treasurer. It was reported that the mortgage drive netted \$4,388.13.

At a meeting March 18 the following chapter officers were elected for the final term: William Zimmerman, president; Sharpless Paxson, vice-president; Willis Nolt, secretary; Max Follmer, treasurer; Bob Avancena, sentinel; and Bob Nem-eschy, inductor. Bill McKendry has been elected as senior member of the Inter-

fraternity Council, assisted by Jack Schaeffer. The college Student Christian Association has elected Brother McKendry to its presidency for next year.

The chapter attained the highest scholastic average for fraternities during the first semester of this school year, and was awarded the Scholarship Cup at the Interfraternity Skit Night program March 14.

A new radio-victrola combination has been purchased by the house, also a new set of furniture for the music room. A tree in front of the house has been removed, and the brick walk replaced with cement.

In the volleyball loop, the Phi Sigs beat all other fraternities and lost only to McKnight Hall, an independent dorm outfit. Ray Bohn directed the volleyball squad and will also take charge of our softball outfit.

The college International Club has elected Brothers Bob Avencena as president, Frank Bretz as vice-president, and Henry Lee as treasurer.

On Tuesday evening, March 11, all of the fall pledge class was initiated into the brotherhood. The new brothers participated in the college Interfraternity Council pledge banquet at the Hotel Gettysburg Friday evening, March 14.

An informal open house and vic dance was held Saturday evening, April 19. The chapter held a Mothers' Day program on Saturday, May 3. The gala Spring House Parties were held the week-end of May 9 and 10th. Dances were held in the chapter house, and a cabin party took place Saturday afternoon.

The chapter house will remain open for the summer session and the dining hall will be in full operation.

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### Stanford University

Nu Deuteron Phi Sigs are establishing themselves about the spreading Stanford campus as the fraternity boys who really get things accomplished.

We took over a house last fall that could have passed as General Grant's western headquarters, but a high-g geared work program transformed this antiquated looking structure into one of the neatest fraternity houses in the vicinity.

Enough paint has been used to raise paint company dividends fifty per cent, and coupled with other "handy Andy" work about the house—including the planting of a new lawn, flowers, and shrubbery—we Cardinal Phi Sigs now like to sit idly and gaze fondly upon the fruitful work that has been accomplished.

We even built a volley ball court. The ground was bull-dozed level, and then asphalt was laid. If we're not the scourge of next season's volleyball competition, then tab Canisius U. to play in the Rose Bowl.

Not forgetting the real reason we're at Stanford, the grade average of the house jumped last semester the greatest of any fraternity here. Autumn semester was indoctrination quarter into fraternity life for all of us, and the grade point average wasn't very good. But last quarter was different, and we ground out the grades like good little scholars—that we aren't.

We threw a fine social "whingding" at a nearby dine and dance establishment last month. We dusted off our tuxedos for the occasion, and with a number of couples from the University of California chapter attending, success of the affair reached the fantastic in social delight.

KSU, Stanford's new radio station, has a stock of Phi Sigs with top spots. Rod Browning, mint julep ambassador to Phi Sig fame, is business manager; Larry Frankly holds down a couple of record shows; Art Levinson pounds the pub-

licity tubs; Douglas Crawford produces a quiz show; and Pledge Gordon Levy is director of sports. We've really gone aerial-minded.

Everett Young took over rushing chairman duties recently, and has already arranged several dinners and lunches so that we might "inspect" prospective pledges. Fourteen men were rounded up in last quarter's formal rushing period, and we plan to pledge a half dozen more men this quarter.

Graduation takes three men this June. Ted Pappas for one collects his walking papers in economics, and so does Bill Savage. Pappas plans to attend the Graduate School of Business next year, and Savage has several business offers pending in the East. The final trouper to leave our production is Sam Chaney, who collects his master's degree in history. But we'll remember Sam as our sterling softball twirler. To these three men we say, "Get good jobs, men, we'll need your support (financial) in a few years."

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## KAPPA

### Pennsylvania State College

By BILL BACHE

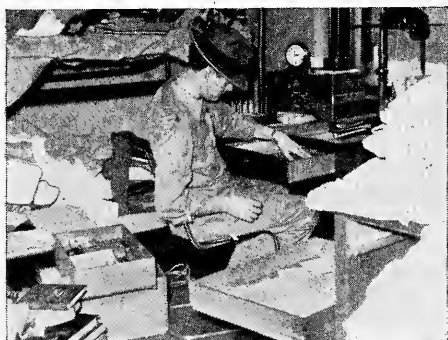
Spring, bringing with it Penn State's two biggest dances, Interfraternity and Senior Ball, promises to bring to a fitting close the college life of Kappa's biggest graduating class. Leaving the chapter in June will be Bill Bache, Ted Beale, George Bender, Dave Davies, Don Hamme, Pat Harrington, Dick Heil, Ed Hyde, Lyle Johnston, Fred Mazzetelli, Erny, Nagy, Frank Neish, Don Nicholson, John Pfahl and Phil Sawyer. Since the last issue of the SIGNET, we have accepted two more pledges, Don Heard and Wally Lord.

Brother Don Hart is practically assured of his berth on the golf team. Brother Lyle Johnston, although the competition is keen, stands a very good chance of making the tennis squad. In

interfraternity competition the chapter has come into its own; the volleyball team won the cup by going through the tourney without losing a single game. Brothers Lyle Johnston and Bob Arnold have both reached the quarter-finals in the badminton tournament and either of them can very easily become the interfraternity badminton champion.

Recently Brother John Pfahl became a member of Delta Sigma Pi, international commerce and finance fraternity.

In the past few weeks we have been more than happy to welcome Brothers Art Brown, Bob Bartle, Jim McCaughn, John King, Carl King, Hal Wilson and Bob Jacobs, who were kind enough to spend a little time visiting the chapter.



MOVING DAY AT KAPPA  
Brother Frank Neish working.

### NORWEGIAN VETERINARY MED- ICINE EXPERT PRAISES CHI DEUTERON

Dr. Steinar Hauge, Norwegian medicine expert who is in this country doing research work, had many high compliments for the Phi Sigs of Chi Deuteron, State College of Washington, in a recent letter to them.

Dr. Hauge stayed at the Fraternity as a guest from last March until June while carrying on research at the college. In August of last year, he went to the Medical Center of the Hooper Institute in San Francisco to take up additional work

there before returning to instruction at the University of Norway in Oslo.

While at WSC, the congenial Norwegian made many friends. His letter to Chi Deuteron, in part, is as follows:

"The Phi Sig Fraternity stands as the finest house—the best house—of all I know . . . I have seen quite a few Fraternity houses while living here, but never have I met such a fine group of men—so well disciplined and with such an over-all good, friendly spirit . . . I wish to thank all of you for the opportunity I had to live with you and to become acquainted with you . . . You taught me more about America than did any other place . . . Later, when I think back to my American travels, I will always think of your Fraternity as the ideal living group."

Although his status at the Fraternity was only that of a distinguished guest, Dr. Hauge took part in many of the Chapter's activities and functions. He attended dances, joked with "the gang" in American style—being a good conversationalist and having an exceptionally good sense of humor, and joined the group in singing Fraternity songs. Some of these songs became his special favorites. To show their appreciation, members of the Fraternity recently made a recording of greetings and Phi Sig songs for him to take back to Norway.

Dr. Hauge is a well-known traveling man, having visited most of the countries of Europe, and it is certain that many nice things will be said of the Chi Deuteron chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa when he visits friends and makes speeches in various places of the "Old Country."

### MINNEAPOLIS CLUB BANQUET

Ninety brothers attended the Founders' Day Banquet of the Minneapolis Club at the Covered Wagon May 9. One of three skits presented by the active chapter portrayed a chapter inspection by the regional director. Regional Director Collins represented the Council.

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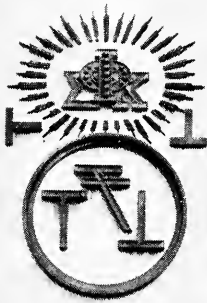
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JOHN HAMILTON MARCHMONT

## John Hamilton Marchmont

*For the first time in seventeen years, the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa today assembles without the presence of Brother John H. Marchmont.*

*Following an able leadership in his chapter at Columbia University, from which he graduated in 1910, John continued until the end, his active participation in the affairs of his beloved fraternity, in whatever capacity he was requested to serve.*

*This interest and leadership was recognized in 1930 by his election to the Council as a Vice-President. In 1940 when America's involvement in the second World War appeared certain, he was chosen to the high office of President. In this post he served with conspicuous success for six years, requesting at our meeting of a year ago that he be relieved of the responsibilities of that office. At the invitation of the Council he consented to remain on our governing board as a Vice-President.*

*Brother Marchmont's long association with Phi Sigma Kappa was characterized by a realistic idealism and an unfailing loyalty. His conduct of the office of President manifested a comprehensive knowledge of the ideals and traditions of our Order, as well as of the formal regulations governing its management.*

*During the critical years of the tragic war, his vision, faith, and personal sacrifice, represented a significant contribution to the welfare of the Fraternity, and served as an inspiring example to other officers and deputies.*

*Brother Marchmont's interest in the fundamental purpose of the fraternity as an institution, was not confined to Phi Sigma Kappa. For at least twelve years he participated actively in the direction of the National Interfraternity Conference, serving on numerous committees and as its Treasurer in 1936-37.*

*Another of our distinguished brothers and leaders has joined the Chapter Invisible. Today we sadly, but with pride, formally record our sense of loss, of respect, and of affection.*

Passed by the Council, of  
The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma  
Kappa, August 14, 1947.

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## John Hamilton Marchmont Memorial Minute

John Hamilton Marchmont, Columbia, Class of 1910, Past President of Phi Sigma Kappa, began his services to the institution of Fraternity early. As a result he held successively every office but one in his chapter at Columbia, including the highest. As an alumnus he continued this habit. For ten years he served Phi Sigma Kappa as Vice-President and then six years as President, in spite of his fraternity's tradition in favor of short terms for its officers. At his death in New York on June 14, 1947, he was a Director-at-Large.

Naturally he became a representative of Phi Sigma Kappa, of recognized value and standing, in the National Interfraternity Conference, to which he first came as a delegate in 1930, maintaining active participation until his death.

In the Conference he served in many capacities. He was Treasurer of the Conference in 1936-37; in 1935 and 1936 the Chairman of the Committee on Archives, and again in 1944 and 1945; in 1941 and again in 1945 he served on the Conference's Committee on Nominations; in 1944 he was Chairman of the Committee on Relations with Men in the Armed Forces, and a member of the Year Book Committee; for several years he served as Chairman of Round Table Group A and assisted in the arrangements for the annual Conference; for two terms, 1934-36 and 1943-45, he was a member of the important Executive Committee of the Conference; and in 1946 a member of its Committee on Comity. In all these services he was a valued member of the group leading and guiding the work of the Conference.

In the period when duplicate fraternity memberships were permitted John Marchmont became also a member of the Columbia University chapter of Acacia, the Masonic fraternity. His services to Masonry were notable. He was a member of the Kane Masonic Lodge; a former High Priest in Phoenix Chapter 2 of Royal Arch Masons; a member of Adelpic Council 7, Royal and Select Masters; a former Eminent Commander of Palestine Commandery 18, Knights Templar; and a member of the Scottish Rite bodies in his jurisdiction.

Mr. Marchmont was a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army in the First World War, and became active in the American Legion. At his death he was a member of the New York State Commission against Discrimination.

His death at the age of fifty-eight deprives the National Interfraternity Conference of a serviceable and valued colleague.

Passed by the Executive Committee  
of the National Interfraternity  
Conference, July, 1947.

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# Former President Marchmont Dies

John Hamilton Marchmont, Theta '10, President of the Grand Chapter from August 16, 1940 until his resignation from that position on August 11, 1946, passed away at New York City on June 14, 1947. Brother Marchmont had not been well for some time, but his illness had not been thought to be serious. He died the day following an operation at the Ruptured and Crippled Hospital of New York City.

Brother Marchmont was born on November 22, 1888 in London, England, the son of John Marchmont and Adelaide Case Marchmont. He was a year old when his parents, who were living in London temporarily, brought him to the United States.

He attended the public schools at Alma, Michigan and also the Alma College Academy, and in 1910 received his A.B. from Columbia. He studied law at Columbia and received his LLB from that university in 1912.

John, as Brother Marchmont was affectionately known to all the Brothers in the fraternity, was initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa on October 26, 1908. At some time or other during his undergraduate career, he held every office except that of treasurer. He was President of Theta Chapter in 1910. It was in this year that Brother Marchmont started attending Conventions; between that date and the date of his death he attended all but five of the Conventions held by our fraternity in that period. His was always an active part. In 1930 he was elected to the Council as a Director-at-Large, which office he held until his elevation to the presidency in 1940. John was progressive. His intelligent and thoughtful guidance and his tireless effort on behalf of the fraternity during these years were great contributing factors to the fraternity's development. As a war president he was confronted with most serious prob-

lems in the administration of the fraternity's affairs. The chapter roll had shrunk from 42 to 16 chapters and the income of the Grand Chapter from undergraduate sources shrunk proportionately. Nevertheless, when he presented the gavel to his successor, President of the Grand Chapter, Herbert L. Brown, our fraternity had a sound treasury and 43 chapters, Eta Triton having been added during these critical years.

Brother Marchmont traveled extensively for the fraternity during his tenure as President. He was a staunch supporter of The SIGNET and used its pages as another medium to impart his knowledge of fraternity to the chapters and alumni. He furnished the editor with leads for material and no one enjoyed the relaxation of the annual Editor's Dinner any more than did John. He was always a guest.

Brother Marchmont was well informed, he read extensively and was an ardent student of literature and history. He wrote exceedingly well. The SIGNETS published during his career as a national officer are abundant with writings from his masterful pen.

Since 1927 Brother Marchmont had been Phi Sigma Kappa's main contact with the National Interfraternity Conference. He found time from his busy Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity life to serve on the Executive Committee of the National Interfraternity Conference from 1934 to 1936 and again from 1943 to 1945; in 1937 he was Treasurer of the National Interfraternity Conference. John served on many other committees of the N.I.C. principally among which were the Archives, of which he was chairman in 1935, 1936, 1944 and 1945, Committee on Nominations, The Committee on Relations with Men in the Armed Forces, of which he was also chairman in 1944, and the Committee on Comity; for many years

he was Chairman of the N.I.C. Round Table Group A and was frequently responsible for making the arrangements for the holding of the N.I.C. in New York City.

During the first World War John served as a Second Lieutenant in the Army. Since then he has been active in the American Legion.

In politics John was a Democrat, and in the New York area he was looked upon as a political leader. He was a staunch supporter of former governor Alfred E. Smith and an ardent admirer of former President Franklin D. Roosevelt and a disciple of all that he stood for.

Brother Marchmont was a member of Kane Masonic Lodge; a former high priest of Phoenix Chapter 2, Royal Arch Masons; a member of Adelpic Council 7, Royal and Select Masters; former eminent commander of Palestine Commandery 8, Knights Templar, and a member of the Scottish Rite bodies in the jurisdiction of New York City.

John was a member of the New York State Bar. He was formerly in the manufacturing business and in later life was in the employ of various government bureaus, at the time of his death being associated with the State Commission against Discrimination.

Brother Marchmont was a member of the Church and Columbia University Club.

Brother Marchmont is survived by his widow, Gladys Houston Marchmont, formerly of Atlanta, Georgia.

The Grand Chapter was officially represented at the funeral by Brother Herbert L. Brown, President of the Grand Chapter, Brother Frederick G. Griswold, Jr., Regional Director for Region 2, and Brother G. William Bunn, Alumni Secretary for the East. Undergraduate representatives of Zeta Chapter, located at C.C.N.Y., New York City, and Iota Chapter, Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, N. J., also attended the funeral

services as did many alumni of the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of New York City, with which club John was so closely identified during his fraternity career. Brother Marchmont was laid to rest in Westchester County, New York.

With John passing to the Chapter Invisible, Phi Sigma Kappa has lost one of its most capable leaders. During John's 37 year career as a fraternity man, he grew rich in fraternity experience which experience became increasingly invaluable to the Grand Chapter as he grew in years and became an important administrator and its leader. All whose privilege it was to know John were charmed by his geniality and his thoughtfulness; he was generous to a fault.

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### SABY JOINS CORNELL FACULTY

Brother John S. Saby, Rho Deuteron '42, has recently accepted an instructorship in the Physics Department at Cornell University. He received his PhD from Pennsylvania State College, August 9, 1947. Brother Saby has been engaged in graduate study for OSRD, as well as academic research at Penn State since 1942. He was recently initiated into Sigma Xi, National Honorary Scientific Society.

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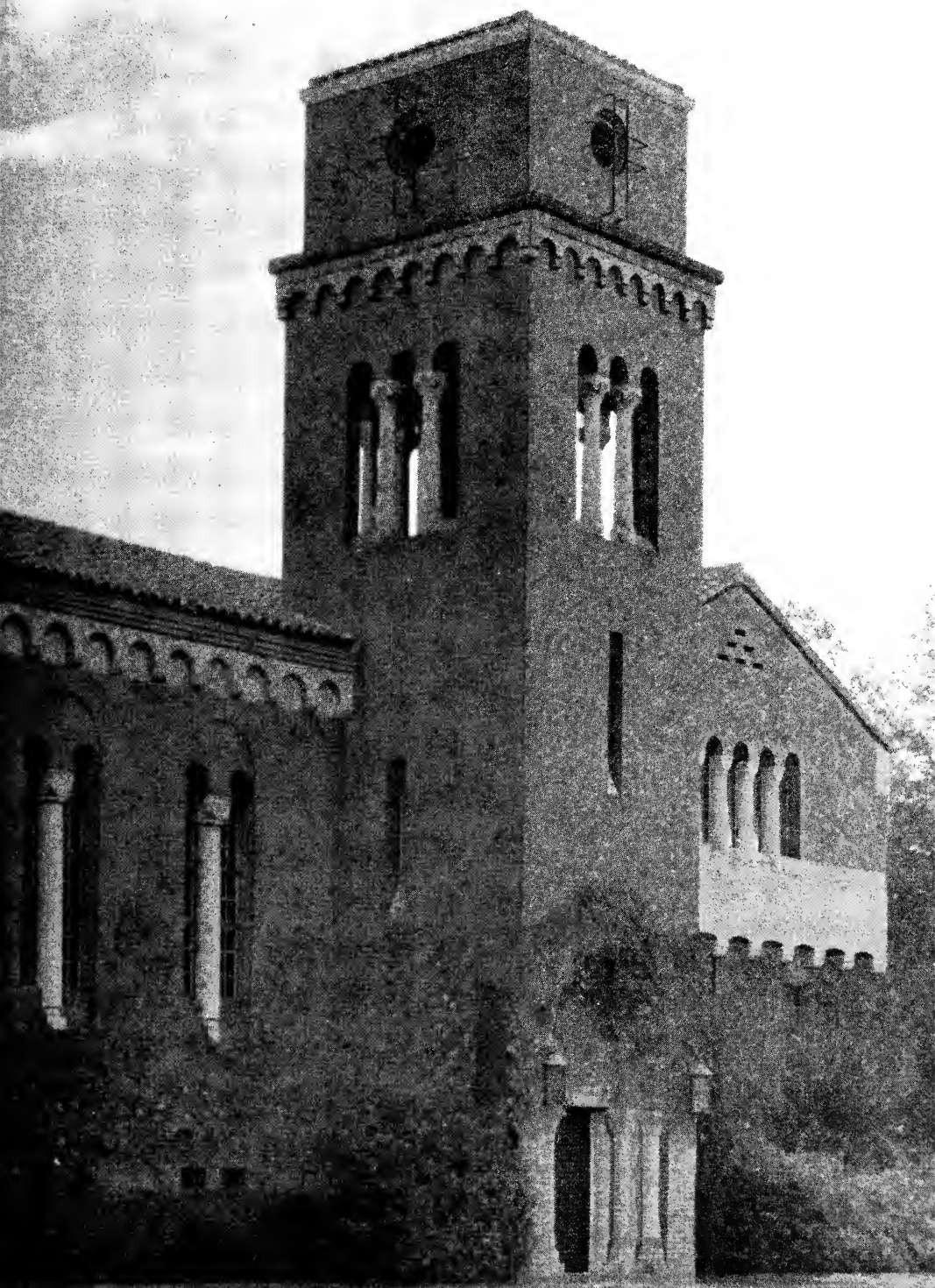
### PRUITT BACK WITH ETHYL CORPORATION

After three and a half years in the Army as Commanding Officer of a troop carrier squadron and Executive Officer of a bomb group in New Guinea and the Philippines, Brother S. T. Pruitt, Kappa Deuteron '28, returned to his old job as Assistant Division Manager of Ethyl Corporation in Dayton, Ohio in January, 1946.

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#### KAPPA TRITON CHARTER MEMBERS

Top: Former Sigma Alpha Chi.

Top row, left to right: Conrad Feuches, Galen McKnight, Gerald Appley, Bob Greelis, and Dick DeRemer.  
Bottom: Former Sigma Beta Mu.

Back row, left to right: Charles Price, Milton Roth, Bill Davies, Bill Rusconi, Galen Zimmerman, George Kerber, Jay Woosley, Charles Allen, Bill Anderson, Melvin Canfield, Paul Giannopoulos, Keith Thompson, Bill Stockwell, Nick Giannopoulos, Bob Canfield, and Norman Miller.

Front row, left to right: Everett Smith, Leroy Eiffler, Bill Montgomery, Gordon Kierstine, Charles King, Jerry Pomerance, and Harry Meeks. Tom Aney was absent at the time the picture was taken.



# Phi Sigma Kappa Again Spans The Country As Sigma Beta Mu Becomes Kappa Triton Chapter

As Phi Sigma Kappa was founded at Massachusetts State College, an agricultural college, so the latest chapter was founded at a State College, which is also an agricultural college. In the heart of the fertile San Joaquin Valley lies the richest county in the United States—the county of Fresno. In this county is located the thriving city of Fresno; and in 1911 a college, known as Fresno Normal Collegè, was established. Since its incorporation into the vast system of colleges and universities of California, it has grown from a small normal school to a school teaching over twenty-five majors. Recently a fifth year was added for post-graduate work. With the help of local businessmen, the agricultural department was recently enlarged for teaching several new courses that are required for this section of the country.

Before May 31, there were four national fraternities—Theta Chi, Delta Sigma Phi, Sigma Pi, and Kappa Delta Rho—on the campus and five locals—Alpha, Mu Alpha Delta, Zeta Mu, Sigma Tau, and Sigma Beta Mu—most of which were very powerful. Sigma Beta Mu, with the knowledge that the growth and expansion of the college was attracting students from all over the country and that fraternities of a local nature had little to offer to students, decided to join the ranks of the nationals.

Although a relatively new organization, Sigma Beta Mu was established in September of 1946, and its members are widely known on the campus of Fresno State College. Their majors include Commerce, Physical Education, Chemistry, Law, Social Science, Industrial Education, Forestry, Engineering, Geology, Speech, and Business Administration. Since its

beginning Sigma Beta Mu's policies stood for Brotherhood, Character, and Scholarship. During the ensuing weeks, different national fraternities were contacted, and it wasn't until March 3, 1947, that a national fraternity with ideals like those of Sigma Beta Mu was found. At this meeting the ideals of Phi Sigma Kappa were expressed by Dr. Edward V. Tenney and Orrin White, both alumni of the Omega Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. With the able assistance of the Dean of Men, the Inter-Fraternity Council, and letters from the alumni of Phi Sigma Kappa in Fresno, the members of Sigma Beta Mu voted to formally petition Phi Sigma Kappa on April 7, 1947. Because of the favorable reports of Brothers Schoening and Ackerman, and also those of the college, the petition was favorably acted upon, and May 31 set as the date of induction into Phi Sigma Kappa.

In the weeks immediately preceding the induction of Sigma Beta Mu, letters from the national headquarters laid out the plan of induction. Also, several important questions were answered by correspondence with Dr. Franklin C. Palm, Director of Region Five. It was finally decided to have the induction in Fresno, making Sigma Beta Mu the first chapter of a national fraternity to be inducted on the campus of Fresno State.

The events leading up to the initiation started on May 30, when the induction team from Omega Chapter at the University of California arrived. They were met by the active members of Sigma Beta Mu at the Hotel Californian where an informal gathering was held and later, and informal party was held in their honor at the Motel El Rancho.



KAPPA TRITON INDUCTION BANQUET

It was in the beautiful Student Union Building that the twenty-eight members of Sigma Beta Mu and members of the Sigma Alpha Chi Fraternity Alumni were initiated as the Kappa Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. The induction started on Saturday morning, May 31, with informal pledging of the twenty-eight members and also the members of Sigma Alpha Chi.

After an informal luncheon, the formal induction started, and ended with the installation of the chapter; followed by a formal banquet Saturday evening in the Student Union. Besides the newly initiated brothers and our newly initiated alumni of the Sigma Alpha Chi, the banquet was attended by the following:

#### *Special Guests*

President of Fresno State College, Dr. Frank W. Thomas

Dean of Men, Dr. Mitchell P. Briggs

Dean of Professional Education, Dr.

Albert R. Lang

#### *Alumni in Fresno*

Mr. James B. Sowen, Nu Deuteron, 1938

Dr. Edward Vernon Tenney, Omega, 1919

Judge Thomas R. Thomson, Omega, 1909

Mr. Orrin F. Wight, Omega, 1930

Mr. Les Wolcott, Omega, 1910

#### *Brothers from Nu Deuteron*

Mr. George Grinell

Mr. Ted Pappas

#### *Induction Team from Omega*

Mr. Leslie Schwimley

Mr. Dick Rowe

Mr. George Dean

Mr. Lawrence Warren

Mr. Don O'Malley

Mr. Robert M. Price

#### *Director of Region Five*

Dr. Franklin C. Palm

#### *Toastmaster*

Mr. William Wood, Chancellor of the Court of Honor

#### *Honored Guests*

Mr. Hugh Arnold, President, Delta



JUDGE THOMAS R. THOMSON, OMEGA

Sigma Phi; Mr. Edward Boles, Editor, Collegian; Mr. Harvey Edwards, President, Blue Key; Mr. Miller; Mr. Edwin E. Schober, Photographer, Fresno Bee; Mr. Dick Stillwell, Vice-president, Sigma Pi; Mrs. M. P. Briggs; Mrs. Dean; Mrs. Miller; Mrs. Ralph McCoy; Mrs. Leslie Schwimley; Mrs. Robert Scott; Miss Dorothy Smith; Mrs. Edward V. Tenney.

Following the reading of several telegrams received from chapters and members of Phi Sigma Kappa throughout the United States, all wishing Kappa Triton success, toastmaster Bill Wood, Xi 1910, introduced the different speakers in the following order:

Dr. Frank W. Thomas, who welcomed the new chapter and pledged his support and that of the administration to the success of the new chapter;

Dr. Mitchell P. Briggs, who said he expects a lot of action from Kappa Triton because of the caliber of men that make up the new chapter;

Dr. Albert R. Lang, echoed the previous speeches and also stated that his office was opened at all times to any member who seeks advice.

The induction team, consisting of



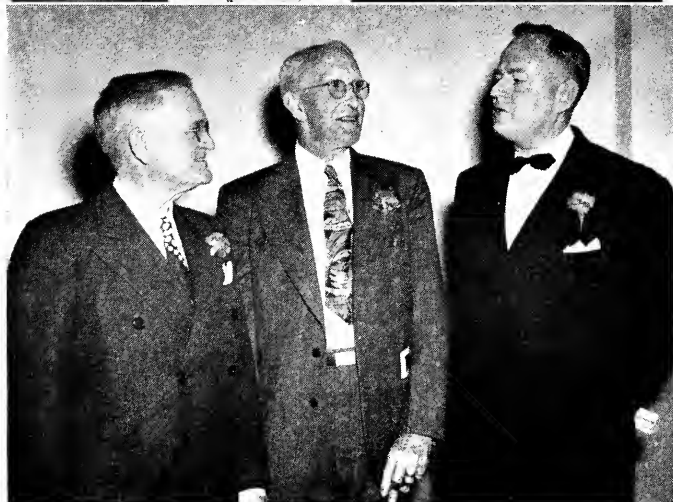
#### HEAD-TABLE

Left to right: Dr. Frank W. Thomas, President, Fresno State College; Bill Wood, Toastmaster; Dr. Franklin C. Palm, Director of Region V; Dr. Albert R. Lang, Dean of Professional Education, Fresno State College; and Dr. Mitchell P. Briggs, Dean of Men, Fresno State College.



#### KAPPA TRITON RECEIVES GREETINGS FROM PHI SIG OFFICIALS

Left to right: Gordon Kierstine, President, Kappa Triton; Arnold Thompson, President, Sigma Alpha Chi; Dr. Franklin C. Palm, Director of Region V; and Bill Wood, Chancellor of the Court of Honor of Phi Sigma Kappa.



#### PHI SIG ALUMNI

Left to right: Judge Thomas R. Thomson, Omega '09; Les Wolcott, Omega '10; and Dr. Edward V. Tenney, Omega '19.

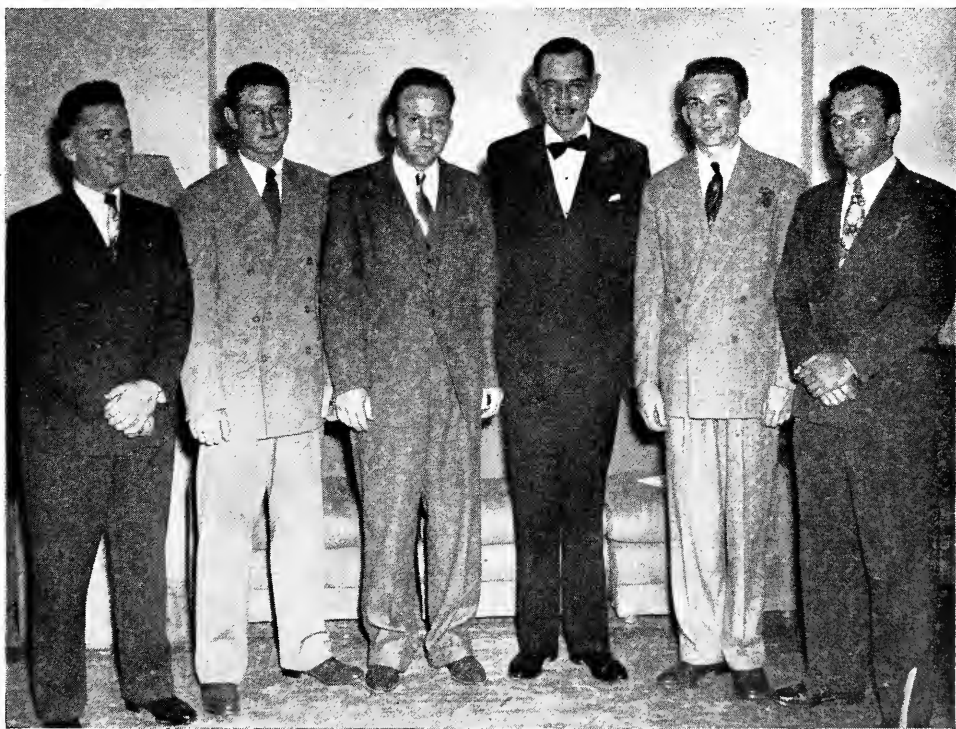
Brothers Leslie Schwimley, Dick Rowe, George Dean, Lawrence Warren, Don O'Malley, and Robert M. Price were introduced by Bill Wood followed by Mr. Les Wolcott, Omega 1910, who gave a stirring speech on the Omega Chapter—its difficulties and successes—and pledged his support to the new chapter.

Next, a charter member of the Omega Chapter and a well-known judge in the city of Fresno, Judge Thomas R. Thomson presented a challenge to the new members of Kappa Triton to see if they could live up to the standards of Phi Sigma Kappa in the years to come; and also mentioned the principle aims toward which a national fraternity should strive.

Following the speech of Brother Thomson, Brother Edward Vernon Tenney, our sponsor, gave an address on the events leading up to the induction of

Sigma Beta Mu, giving special praise to Brothers Allen, Davies, Kierstine, and Price for their special work in making the induction a success. As a special request from our National President, Brother Herbert L. Brown, Brother Tenney read his personal greeting to the assembled guests.

The banquet closed with the principal address by Dr. Franklin C. Palm, Director of Region Five and Professor of History at the University of California, who commended the induction team for their splendid work, and talked on the Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa and their significance to Kappa Triton. He mentioned the difficulties of starting a new chapter and told us how to overcome them, especially pointing out "pledge work"—work that will either make or break a chapter.



INDUCTION TEAM FROM OMEGA

Left to right: Robert M. Price, Treasurer; Dick Rowe, Secretary; George Dean, Vice-President; Leslie Schwimley, Inductor; Lawrence Warren, Sentinel; and Don O'Malley, President.

Following the banquet, the new members and the induction team went to Motel El Rancho for an informal celebration of the induction.

At the first meeting of the new Kappa Triton Chapter, the following officers were elected for the fall term: President, Charles Price; Vice-President, Harry Meeks; Secretary, James Thompson; Treasurer, William Davies; Sentinel, Gordon Kierstine; and Inductor, Milton Roth, who will be installed in their offices at the first meeting of next semester. The members voted to have the old officers work during the summer because of the splendid work they did to make our induction a success. Much praise should go to these men for their work.

In closing, the members of Kappa Triton would like to thank the following:

1. To Brother Franklin C. Palm, Brother Bill Wood, and the Induction Team for their splendid work to make the installation of Kappa Triton a success.

2. To Brother Herbert L. Brown,

whose stirring message will always be remembered by those who attended the banquet, and the members of Kappa Triton will strive always to live up to what Phi Sigma Kappa expects of us.

3. To Brother Edward V. Tenney, for without his effort, cooperation, and guidance in the weeks preceding the induction, Sigma Beta Mu could not have reached the greatest decision of its career – that of going Phi Sigma Kappa.

4. To Mrs. Edward V. Tenney, whose cooperation will not be forgotten.

Kappa Triton is also proud of the following:

1. That it has an established alumni, who are ready to help in rushing, and also be of any service possible in the years to come.

2. That the only two seniors of Kappa Triton led most of their classmates at the recent graduation, with Charles Allen graduating with high honors in Geology and William Stockwell with honorable mention in Industrial Education.



MAIN COLLEGE ENTRANCE AND GEOLOGY AND ART WING

# Iota Triton Established At University of Connecticut

The first step in the establishment of Iota Triton Chapter occurred on October 26, 1946 when Regional Director Don Downing visited Brother Ronald S. Brand, Epsilon Deuteron '40, a member of the faculty of the University of Connecticut. The expansion program of Phi Sigma Kappa was discussed particularly as it applied to the University of Connecticut. Field Secretary Bill Gott visited the Connecticut campus in November, 1946, at which time the possibility of establishing a chapter was explored with Brother Brand and the Dean of Men, Mr. Sumner Dole.

In March Past Grand President Don Hamilton, Brother Downing and a group of Brothers from Epsilon Deuteron visited Storrs, Connecticut and interviewed a few students suggested by Dean Dole. At this meeting it developed that there were on the faculty at Connecticut not one, but six Phi Sigs. This group, headed by Dr. Henry Dorsey, Delta '14, conducted a rushing session with the result that nine undergraduates petitioned for a charter early in May. The Expansion Committee approved the petition and the induction date was set for May 23rd with Epsilon Deuteron acting as host.

The new men arrived at 11 Dean Street, Worcester, Massachusetts, about 7 o'clock accompanied by the Phi Sig faculty members who had conducted the rushing program. The induction was ably handled by the Epsilon Deuteron initiation team and Brother Don Hamilton presented the badges and gave the secret instructions. After the initiation was over the Brothers, both old and new, relaxed for the rest of the evening. On hand were Epsilon Deuteron Alumni and several delegates from Alpha and Xi Chapters. The press of final examinations

prevented the attendance of delegates from other chapters.

The Initiation Banquet was held at the Epsilon Deuteron Chapter house. After the ice cream had vanished, Toastmaster "Chuck" Rehrig, President of the host Chapter, congratulated the charter members of Iota Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa and introduced Brother Don Downing who read several congratulatory telegrams and letters, including Grand President Brown's. President Brown was prevented from attending at the last moment.

The delegates from Alpha and Xi Chapters spoke briefly as did Dr. Dorsey and Col. Moyle. Brother Bunnell, President of Iota Triton then expressed his appreciation to all the Phi Sig Brothers who had made Iota Triton Chapter a reality. Brother Don Hamilton then gave the principal address, at the conclusion of which all joined hands in the Phi Sig fashion and sang songs.

This wound up the official program although the unofficial part extended until the last call was regretfully sounded for the return to Connecticut.

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## PHI SIG PARTNERSHIP

A partnership in the year 1930 was formed by two members of Phi Sigma Kappa for the practice of law and they are still partners. The two Phi Sigs are Carleton J. King, Beta '26, and Joseph P. Duval, Beta '27.

Brother King is married and has a son, 12 years of age, and a daughter, 8 years of age.

Brother Duval is also married and has four daughters. Three of his daughters are now in college.





#### INDUCTION TEAM

Rear: G. W. Allen, K. R. Neale, and J. S. Adams.  
Front: L. E. Gray, C. D. Rehrig, and D. V. Shattuck.



#### CHARTER MEMBERS

Rear: E. S. Alling, R. S. Payne, C. H. Evans, J. W. Neverovich, and R. D. Spellman.  
Front: A. L. Stevenson, D. C. Bunnell, M. H. Stocking, and R. A. Kenyon.



#### CONNECTICUT FACULTY MEMBERS AND NATIONAL OFFICERS

Rear: D. G. Downing, Epsilon Deuteron '26, N. C. Manning, Alpha Triton '36, W. A. Moyle, Upsilon '19, and A. H. Eaton, Upsilon '26.  
Front: H. Dorsey, Delta '14, Don Hamilton, Epsilon Deuteron '11, and R. E. Brand, Epsilon Deuteron '40.



# "IT"

## IOTA TRITON INDUCTION BANQUET ADDRESS

*By Past President* DON A. HAMILTON, E<sup>A</sup> '11

Tonight, I shall necessarily make my remarks brief since the hour is growing late and I realize that you have had a strenuous day and still must make the long journey back to Storrs.

In all probability, you will not long remember what I have to say to you, but none of us can forget what has been accomplished here this evening. You, my new Brothers, can always take pride in the fact that you have the distinction of being the charter members of Iota Triton.

Above all else I want you to remember that your first loyalty is to your University and your second loyalty to your fraternity. This is as it should be, for without the college or university there can be no fraternity.

Phi Sigma Kappa is both an old and respected fraternity. True, during the recent war, we were severely tried. Most of the chapter houses were closed while the undergraduates were in the service. Phi Sigma Kappa fought a courageous battle for survival; a battle in which the loyalty of her undergraduates and alumni members was proven beyond any question. I can assure you that Phi Sigma Kappa emerged from this severe test stronger than ever, determined to go forward and remain a leader in the fraternity world.

Need I tell you that Phi Sigma Kappa takes great pride in the success of each one of her chapter children. This you will come to better realize when you receive frequent visits from your national officers. Your visitor may be our Grand President, your Regional Vice-President, one of the Traveling Secretaries, or even some "old timer" like the speaker. You will be encouraged and guided so that eventually your chapter must become strong and

successful; a potent influence for good, and a recognized leader of student thought and action on your campus.

The American College Fraternity, as you probably know, came into existence in the same year that the Declaration of Independence was written. It was therefore born in an atmosphere of freedom; freedom of speech, freedom of religion and freedom of enterprise. As long as we in America continue to love and cherish our precious freedoms, so dearly secured by the blood and sacrifices of our forefathers, just so long and no longer will our fraternity system endure.

The fraternity chapter is a fine example of true democracy at its best. All brothers are equal; one for all and all for one. Each has equal voice in the chapter affairs and is free to speak his mind. Each brother is also responsible, individually and collectively, for the honor, good name, and success of the chapter.

A good chapter is one that is a character building force that must benefit every member. A good chapter is one that takes pride in its scholastic average, its athletic achievements and its leadership in campus activities. A good chapter is one which is a credit to the university, to the national fraternity of which it is a part, and to each individual member.

You charter members have been designated as the "Iota Triton" chapter. Iota Triton is normally abbreviated by writing a capital "I" with a small "t" above and to the right. Together these two letters spell "IT". Yes, you men of Iota Triton, are, in a sense, "IT" tonight. Remember, however, that you will get back from Phi Sigma Kappa just about what you put into it in the way of generous

and unselfish effort. From what we learn in engineering, we never expect to get as much out of a machine as we put into it, for there is always a percentage of loss due to friction, heat, and so forth. Fortunately, a fraternity is not a machine, therefore you may be happily surprised sometime to receive ten fold in things of the heart, the mind, and the spirit for the effort you have loyally expended. Believe me; I know whereof I speak.

Do Phi Sigs stick together? Well, just ask any member of Alpha, Xi, or Epsilon Deuteron chapters here this evening. I have no fear as to what their answers will be. How about the alumni? You will find them in every state of the Union and in most every city or town where you might happen to journey.

And now as we approach the end of this happy occasion, let us in parting, all join hands in true Phi Sig tradition and sing "Auld Lang Syne" to be followed by singing "Phi Sigma Kappa Fair."

## TWO CHI MEN ELECTED TO GARGOYLE

In exercises approximating the ceremony originally used in the spring of 1895, Gargoyle, the senior honorary society at Williams College selected its fifty-third delegation on the Lab campus on the afternoon of May 10, 1947. Twenty men from the classes of '49-M and '49-J were tapped in a ceremony which departed from tradition mainly in that it was held during Houseparty week-end rather than on Memorial Day.

Of the twenty men so selected, Chi Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa distinguished itself by having two of its members, Chales F. Cole, '47, and David A. T aylor, '47, elected.

To be selected for membership in Gargoyle is the highest extra-curricular honor that can be obtained by any senior. Its award is based solely on merit with some necessary scholarship achievement as a foundation.



### COVER PICTURE

State Street, Chicago, this autumn, looked like a composite of all of the college town main streets at Homecoming in featuring 154 college pennants as decoration for downtown State Street's 77 lamp-posts, part of a back to school merchandising promotion of the State Street Council, to whom we are indebted for the cover picture. The corner is State and Madison Streets, the world's busiest corner. The cover colors of Cardinal and Blue are the colors of Fresno State College

## NEW APPOINTMENT FOR HERNDON

On May 19 Dr. John G. Herndon, Jr., Lambda '12, was appointed to the newly-created post of Professor of Public Finance at Haverford College. Brother Herndon, who is an authority on Federal Income Tax Laws, has served in an advisory capacity on many local and national tax committees. He has been a member of the Haverford faculty since 1928, teaching economics, political science, and government. In 1944 and 1945 Dr. Herndon was a technical advisor and delegate to the San Francisco Conference.

# California Sigma Phi Sigma Join Phi Sigma Kappa

On May 16 and 17, 1947, Epsilon of Sigma Phi Sigma and its alumni were initiated in Omega of Phi Sigma Kappa. Thus was consummated a union that should in the future result in the establishment of a strong chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa at California able to resume its role, together with the other chapters in Region V, in the expansion and development of our beloved fraternity on the coast.

This union was not achieved overnight. Probably the first seed was sown back in the thirties when Dean Palm accepted the privilege of joining, as an honorary member, Epsilon chapter of Sigma Phi Sigma. This gave him an opportunity of becoming intimately acquainted with the organization, and he soon discovered that he was identified with a chapter of undergraduates who were a credit to their fraternity, and an alumni group that was characterized by good fellowship and a sincere interest in their chapter and fraternity — without which no chapter or fraternity can exist.

In time, Palm also discovered that the National Fraternity of Sigma Phi Sigma did not measure up to its California chapter. He became aware of the fact that the Berkeley chapter and its alumni constituted the very heart of the National. Here was an organization that had been granted a charter by its National in 1916 (it was originally a well-established local, called the Casimir Club), and since that time had furnished three national presidents, Brothers Steele Mitchell, Eldon Spofford, and Bill Adams; it had increased its alumni membership to over 350; it practically owned its house; and, so far as financial status was concerned, it stood head and should-

ers above any chapter in the organization. In the light of this situation, the Director of Region V determined that if Sigma Phi Sigma ever broke up he would do everything in his power to return the



JOHN LANGER

honor that Epsilon chapter had bestowed upon him by making it a part of Phi Sigma Kappa. In carrying this out, he also realized that he would be doing something worthwhile for Phi Sigma Kappa — especially Omega chapter.

The Grand Council of Phi Sigma Kappa from the first recognized the value of this plan, and Brother Bill Wood, always ready to push an enterprise that



CHAPTER HOUSE



## OMEGA OF PHI SIGMA KAPPA

Front Row (left-right): Hugh Stroupe, Al Mayne, Doug Carey, Bob Couse, Bob Moeller, Mike Arioli, Don Schimff, Howard Mackey, Jim Tufts, Bill Watson, Ken Wesbay.  
 2nd Row (left-right): Dick Rowe, Maury Eppstein (Advisor), Frank Zander, Bob Price, Lawrence Warren, Don O'Malley (President), Carr Rowland, Howard Smith, Ken Gove, Art Poulin, Jerry Howard, Dale Nyberg.  
 3rd Row (left-right): Frank Podesta, John Tollner, Vic Walker, Jack Linthicum, Ken Machado, Bud Barlow, Irv Toler, Clint King, Bob Willson, Bob Anderson, Cal Kokila.  
 Top Row (left-right): Everett McNicholas, Bill Fyfe, Deloy White, Ralph Reichold, Ed Phillips, Jim Feliz, Warren Schoonover, George Deane, Jim Jones, Dick Lansing, Lloyd Moran, Jim Tallman, Keith Davis and Leo (dog).

will help his fraternity, pledged his valuable support. Consequently, the Council, in August of 1944, granted Bill and Dean the power to bring about a union, if the opportunity presented itself. It did. On January 23, 1947, a convention of Sigma Phi Sigma was held in Berkeley. At that meeting, the delegates decided to dissolve Sigma Phi Sigma and permit each chapter to work out its own salvation (remain a local or join a national). This action was largely the result of the stand taken at the convention by the representatives of the actives of Epsilon chapter, for many alumni naturally found it difficult to give up their beloved fraternity. However, when they were convinced that this was what the younger brothers wanted, they decided to subordinate all considerations of personal feeling to the future welfare of that group of fine young men. This was a remark-

able demonstration of real fraternalism that could come only from a group of superior fraternity men.

While this was going on, Brother Bill Wood had entered the picture, meeting the alumni of Sigma Phi Sigma and working at all times for the union. Brother Earl Schoening on his trip to the coast in February also had a conference with a number of Sigma Phi Sigma alumni. Both brothers did their part in facilitating the merger. Meanwhile, Brother Gavin High, one of the younger alumni members of Sigma Phi Sigma, who had been introduced by Dean Palm to the Council at their meeting in Chicago several years ago, had entered into the situation. He and other alumni now worked with the actives in their search for a national. A number of National fraternities contacted Epsilon chapter and made attractive offers, but the members



Board of Directors of Epsilon of Sigma Phi Sigma who are now Phi Sigs and handle details of physical property of Omega Chapter House. Left to right, front row: Phil Arnot, John Rosefield, Elis Lauppe. Left to right, rear row: Bill Clayton, Hal Yost, Maury Eppstein. Joe Reichel, Charles Camper, and Leon Grove are also Directors

were not satisfied. Finally the president and several other actives held a conference with Dean Palm in his study. This was followed by a meeting of the entire chapter, the officers of the alumni group, and Dean Palm, at the chapter house of Sigma Phi Sigma the latter part of February. At this meeting the pros and cons of a union with a national, especially Phi Sigma Kappa, were thoroughly discussed and a rough draft of the proposed terms of union with Phi Sigma Kappa was presented by Dean Palm to the president of the chapter. It so happened that these terms coincided in a general way with the program of the alumni group of Sigma Phi Sigma as outlined by Brother Bill Clayton. It was then de-

termined that the Alumni Corporation of which Brother Maury Eppstein was the president should handle the matter of the union from this point on. The crisis was over. Following the meeting, Brother O. S. Parkinson, an outstanding fraternity man from Stockton, representing the Alumni Corporation of Sigma Phi Sigma, and Dean Palm, representing the Grand Council of Phi Sigma Kappa, carried on the negotiations. After the exchange of numerous letters in which both parties worked for the combined welfare of all concerned, the terms were drawn up and accepted by them. These terms not only provided for the merger of Epsilon and Omega chapters of the University of California, but also for the union of Theta chapter of Sigma Phi Sigma and Eta Deuteron chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa of the University of Nevada, subject to appropriate action of both parties.

On April 20 at the annual Founders' Day Banquet of Sigma Phi Sigma, the terms of union were presented by Brother Eppstein to the actives and alumni members of the chapter. After a full discussion in which some constructive questions were asked Dean Palm, the alumni decided to reject all terms of the various nationals except those offered by Phi Sigma Kappa. Thereupon a unanimous vote was polled in favor of the merger. Following this meeting, a call was issued to all alumni members and actives of Omega chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa to meet in the Sigma Phi Sigma house to consider the union. At that meeting, Dean Palm presented the terms, and following an enthusiastic discussion in which Brothers John Otterson, President of the Omega Alumni Association, and Ritchie McKee, Treasurer, expressed their approval, another unanimous vote was polled in favor of the union. Thereupon, the officers of the Alumni Corporation of Sigma Phi Sigma were presented with a copy of the

first terms of union signed by Dean Palm. This was returned with their signatures and the union was consummated.

The formal initiation was set for May 16 and 17. On the evening of the 16th, Brother Maury Eppstein, President of Sigma Phi Sigma Alumni Corporation and adviser of Epsilon chapter, and about ten actives were initiated. The following morning the scene shifted from the chapter house of Sigma Phi Sigma to the Elks Club where the rest of the active chapter were initiated. Initiation of the above was conducted by a team of Omega actives, consisting of Brothers Art Poulin, Lawrence Warren, Carr Rowland, Howard Smith, Glen McNicols, and John Toellner, with Brothers Ralph Reichold, Dick Rowe, Jim Coolidge, and Merb McDuffie as alternates. These brothers performed the ceremony in a most impressive manner.

In the afternoon, an alumni team chiefly of Omegans, consisting of Brothers Bill Wood, the late Everett McLure, Wayne Thornton, Dud Omstead, and Les Schwinley initiated, first Donel O'Malley and Calvin Kokila, President and Vice-President of Epsilon chapter, and then John Langer, National Vice-President of Sigma Phi Sigma. Following the initiation of Brother Langer, the alumni of Sigma Phi Sigma were formally inducted into Phi Sigma Kappa. It was quite appropriate that Brother Langer was selected to lead the alumni in this initiation ceremony, for he symbolized, as a result of his work for the fraternity, that fine alumni spirit which has meant so much to Epsilon chapter in the past. Needless to say, the Omega alumni team put on a dignified and impressive initiation ceremony that will be long remembered by those present.

Following the initiation, Bill Wood introduced Dean Palm who read a letter of welcome by President Bert Brown of Phi Sigma Kappa that was regarded as

a brilliant presentation of true fraternalism. After a few closing remarks, the alumni brothers proceeded to prepare for the banquet held at the Elks Club, while the actives made ready for a big formal dance.

At the banquet, Dean Palm, as toastmaster, first expressed his thanks to those who had helped to make possible this successful event, and predicted that as a result of this amalgamation Phi Sigma Kappa would develop into one of the strongest fraternities on the campus. He then introduced Brothers Maury Eppstein and Tom James, formerly chapter advisers of Epsilon and Omega chapters, who outlined the activities of their respective groups during the past year. Then the fireworks started. Practically every brother, new and old, was called on for a few words, and to cap the climax Brother Rosefield led in some cheers that practically rocked the Elks in a nearby room out of the chairs. It was a thrilling event, and later Brother Les Schwinley declared it to be one of the finest demonstrations of fraternalism he had ever witnessed or expected to witness. In fact, the sight of Brothers Bowen and Parkinson clasping hands and discussing the good old days in Stockton; that famous smile of Brother George Brereton of Sacramento; the presence of that loyal Brother Viault from Los Angeles; Brother Paul Knox running hither and yon; and Brothers Seth Axley and Chet Cramer, happy as the proverbial larks — this was worth going miles to see.

Meanwhile the combined group of actives and pledges, now of Phi Sigma Kappa, flocked to the formal dance at the Brazilian Pavilion, Tilden Park in Berkeley. It must have been a tremendous success for one active, who apparently has a certain literary ability and is of a romantic nature, wrote as follows: "Dancing to poetic music or strolling in the milky moonlight that filtered through the cottony sky was just the catalysis of



romance necessary to make the evening a memorable occasion for all." Youth is wonderful!

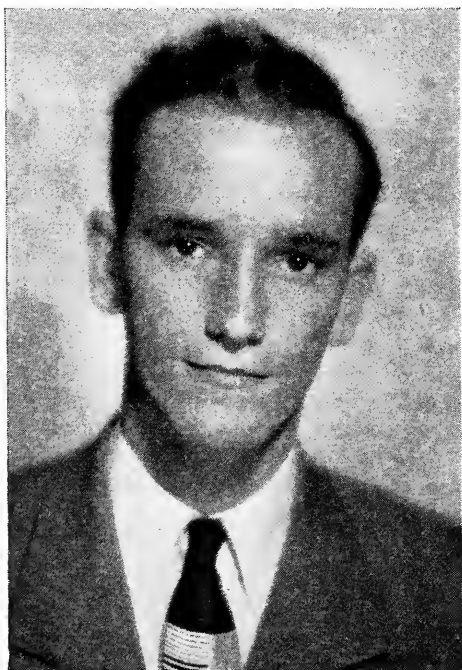
On Monday, May 18, the expanded Omega chapter, consisting of forty actives and twenty pledges, was formally established. New officers were elected, consisting of Brothers Dan O'Malley, President, Carr Rowland, Vice-President, Bob Price, Treasurer, Lawrence Warren, Secretary, Ken Gove, Sentinel, and Howard Smith, Inductor. A few days later the pledges of Epsilon chapter were repledged to Omega chapter.

Finally, on May 28, that loyal Phi Sig, selfless in his devotion to his fraternity,

Bill Wood, jumped into his ancient chariot and drove to Stockton, where he inducted ten alumni of Sigma Phi Sigma into his fraternity, and laid the ground work for the establishment of an Alumni Club of Phi Sigma Kappa. And thus was consummated the union of Epsilon and Omega chapters. May this amalgamation prestage the coming of a golden age for Omega chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. May there arise as a result of it a chapter that will be the pride of all Omegans and a living monument to the devotion and true fraternalism that was the glory of the Epsilon alumni of Sigma Phi Sigma.

### **BILL ZIMMERMAN APPOINTED FIELD SECRETARY**

The Council appointed Brother William N. Zimmerman, Rho Deuteron '47, to the office of Field Secretary for Phi Sigma Kappa. He joins Brother Ackerman in this work.



WILLIAM N. ZIMMERMAN

Brother Zimmerman is a graduate of Gettysburg College, Dept. of Biology. He was Treasurer of Rho Deuteron for two years, and was house manager-steward and President of the chapter during his senior year.

Bill was born in York, Pennsylvania, where he attended the elementary and high schools. He is twenty-four years of age.

Bill's particular service as Field Secretary will be that of making routine chapter inspections. He started his work at Beta Chapter in Schenectady, New York. From there he will go to Iota Triton at Storrs, Conn., and Alpha Triton at Middletown, Conn. From there he will work in New York State, Pennsylvania, and the Southern and Midwestern States.

**Paul A. Apostoli**, Lambda Deuteron '47, on July 1st left for Calgary, Alberta where he is to be employed as a chemical engineer with the British-American Oil Company.

**Robert C. Whitford**, Zeta '12, on September 2, assumed the chairmanship of the Department of English at Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, New York.

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# This Age Of Extremism

By FRANKLIN C. PALM, *Alpha Deuteron Grad*

*Professor of Modern European History, University of California*

We are living in an age of extremism. It seems to exist in practically every phase of life — in literature, art, language, dress, morals, and in transportation. Every Monday morning the newspapers contain boxscore figures of persons killed over the weekend as a result of automobile accidents, generally attributed to extreme speed. Everyday one reads notices of the sudden collapse of relatively young men — frequently the consequence of a heart attack rising out of the pressure of modern life. In short, everything is being speeded up—including death.

But the writer has not the knowledge, nor time, to expand this theme. Rather he intends to limit his discussion to ideological extremism. Since the end of World War I, millions of men and women throughout the world have tended to move to the right or to the left. Unable to meet the bitter economic and social consequences of the war they have surrendered their freedom as individuals and have been swallowed up in the regimented life that is the characteristic of totalitarianism. This great social migration has brought about the decline of that large group of men and women, little business and professional people—the middle classes—who have constituted in the past the backbone of our democratic-capitalistic society. With their decline, the word "liberalism" has virtually been eliminated from current use and remains only a term in the dictionary.

Perhaps we are living in an age of Social Revolution. If so, we are witnessing the fall of a group of men and women, whose predecessors in the glorious mid-Victorian period did much to make liberalism a vital constructive force in the building of our western civilization.

Through their opposition to blind conservatism — reactionism — with its emphasis on the maintenance of the status quo, they gave meaning to the fact that life is change, and that when change no longer occurs, death is just around the



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corner. At the same time, these mid-Victorians recognized the fact that there are certain fundamentals in human society that cannot be altered, such as religion, marriage, and private property. Therefore, they opposed attempts on the part of extremists to throw away all restraints, to disregard the past completely, and to create over-night something new.

It was during the period between the two world wars that this trend towards extremism got under way. Perhaps the stage was set by the scientific-industrialism which was coming to its own before

the first struggle began. But it was the aftermath of this terrible conflict that actually precipitated the moves to the right and to the left. Waves of inflation, high taxes, budget deficits, speculation, debts, and other disturbances of economic stability—all contributed to the rise of extreme movements—totalitarianism of the right (Fascism and Nazism) and of the left (Communism). Meanwhile in the various countries in which rightism and leftism have been on the rampage, a constantly dwindling group of men and women have fought for the maintenance of an evolutionary political and social order wherein the emphasis is upon a calm and objective study of the necessity of changing or of preserving that which is.

Germany and Russia were the leaders in this move toward extremism in the period between the two wars. In Germany, inflation practically wiped out the middle classes (Main Street) and enabled Adolph Hitler, as an apostle of reaction, to build his terrible regimented machine. Weakness of the German Republic, fear of communism, opposition to the peace treaty that followed World War I—all were factors that explain his rise. But it was the support of the younger generation—ex-service men, students, and others—that literally catapulted him into power.

However, before you censor these youths, put yourself in their places. In the twenties, young Germans shot themselves in hundreds, partly to escape the utter hopelessness of their lives, partly as a gesture against fate. Money was incredibly scarce; decent work was unobtainable. There were pleasures to be had—the cities were hysterically gay—and pleasure for some became the sole aim in life. No one who saw Berlin during the dark days before Hitler came to power will ever forget the spectacle of a lunatic search for pleasure, more wild and more incredibly unreal than anything to be seen in any other city of the world.

"Life seemed to be running endlessly and unmeaningly away. The young people were marionettes, dancing into the dark."

And then came Hitler, with his amazing power of oratory, talking to the young people, telling them that they were unhappy, unfolding to them an object for their lives, offering them a religion. His voice embraced them and made them feel that here at last was a leader, who would lift all of their troubles from them and give a new point and import to their derelict lives. "Follow me!" he said. And they did—to degradation, to ruin, and to death.

In Russia today, millions of young people are doing the same thing. They belong to the Communist Party, one of the strongest organizations of all time—more powerful than Cromwell's Puritans or Loyola's Jesuits. They are the result of a great Revolution in Russia that in 1917 wiped out a decadent old regime, and also a growing and flourishing capitalistic system. Out of the ruins they have built a totalitarian state of the left, and are engaged in reaching Utopia overnight. What they will achieve, time alone can give the answer. But what a price to pay—progress through cruel regimentation rather than by means of freedom—the only road to Utopia.

Why worry, say certain optimists. The extremism of the right has been eradicated as a result of the recent war and the extremism of the left will disintegrate, once prosperity is attained in Russia. I doubt it. It is true, that the extremism of the right has received a set-back, but it still exists in certain parts of this world. And everyone knows that the extremism of the left in many lands is virtually in the saddle. Moreover, the economic, financial, social and moral problems rising out of the last war are bound to strengthen both extremes, and the going for the true liberal will be rough, indeed.

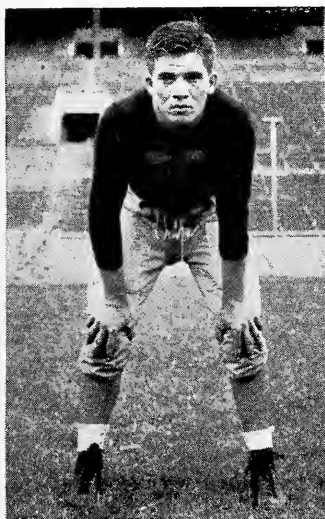
Frankly, I am not pessimistic about the future; for I believe that our country is

still the spark plug of real liberalism, able and willing to play its role in the rehabilitation of war-torn countries and the re-establishment thereby of Main Streets that will serve as strongholds of defense against the extremism of the right or of the left. This, I believe, is the prayer of all intelligent men and women throughout the world.

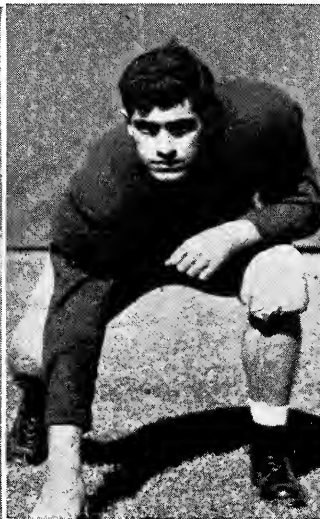
But most important, it is the task of the younger generation of today. They fought the last war to rid the world of the cruel

totalitarianism of the right; they now must be given a peace that will offer to them the opportunity of stopping the totalitarianism of the left. This they can do if they will build a broad and beautiful highway down the middle. It is the road of true liberalism—it evolves; it does not revolve. It is the practical approach to progress and prosperity. Without it we cannot retain our individual freedom. Without it, we must take the road to the right—or to the left.

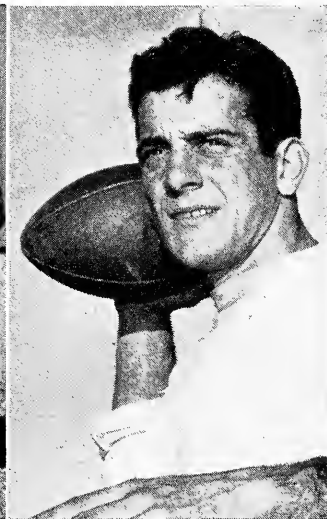
### PHI SIG FOOTBALL STARS



**TOM STEWART**  
Quarterback  
University of Illinois



**JOE BUSCEMI**  
End  
University of Illinois



**JAY E. RHODEMYRE, PHI  
DEUTERON '48**

Brother Stewart and Buscemi played in the Rose Bowl game last New Years Day, both giving a most commendable account of themselves in the 45 to 14 rout of U.C.L.A.

**FOLLOW THE PHI SIG FOOTBALL STARS THIS AUTUMN SO THAT YOU CAN HELP SELECT THE ALL-PHI SIGMA KAPPA FOOTBALL TEAM WHICH WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE JANUARY, 1948 SIGNET. SEND YOUR NOMINATIONS TO THE EDITOR.**

Jay is first string center for the University of Kentucky. Standing 6'1" and weighing 200 pounds, he is a potential candidate for All-American honors this year. Kentucky's coach, Paul Bryant, rates him the best center in the South-eastern Conference or in any conference.

Jay shines at both offense or defense being a stellar lineman and excellent at pass defense work. He is captain on defense and really leads the Big Blue team when it comes to aggressiveness and fight. He served in the AAF for three years and was a pilot in the Ferry Command. Returning to U. K. in 1946, he joined Phi Sig and went back to his studies in engineering.

# Anglo-Soviet Relations

By CEDRIC FOSTER, Tau '24  
Mutual Broadcasting System

To any person who has followed the pattern of world events for months past it should be perfectly clear that the relations between the United States and Britain, on the one hand, and the Soviet Union on the other, have been deteriorating. This fact should by no means be construed as meaning that war between the West and the East is imminent. But it does indicate, quite clearly, that Russia is doing everything within her power to build up and to crystallize world opinion against the West, and against the United States, in particular.

The Soviet is, without question, using the United Nations as a sounding board through which she can reach all nations of the world with her propaganda. Her propaganda is not truthful propaganda and propaganda can be truthful as well as untruthful. The viciousness of Russian statements lies in the fact that the Kremlin chooses to distort, and to deliberately twist out of their original meaning, American statements and American actions. She does this in her interpretations in PRAVDA and IZVESTIA, which is purely for home consumption, and she follows through in similar fashion in United Nations' committee meetings, in the Security Council and on the floor of the UN General Assembly. In all attempts to counteract this propaganda the United States, and the United Nations, are impotent insofar as their ability to reach the Russian people is concerned. The Iron Curtain blots out everything in the East. In other countries there has been better success because a free press still remains in Britain, France and other nations of western Europe, including Italy and Greece and Turkey.

The Russian line is, with a few devia-

tions, the line of Karl Marx. The ultimate goal is world revolution and the establishment of a dictatorship by the proletariat. The recent manifesto, or communique, issued by the Communist party's representatives in meeting in Poland, states this in almost unequivocal language. Communists everywhere, this manifesto declares in effect, must grasp firmly in their hands the powers of government in whatever country they live. This is simply a euphemism and it means overthrow of existing governments in any way possible, including force of arms.

The majority of people in this world do not want a communistic government. Recent elections in both Italy and France reveal that despite the hunger and devastation, despite the stress and strain under which economic systems in western Europe are operating, the people still cling to democratic principles in the majority. But the fact remains that communists, while they may not have gained very much ground, have not lost any appreciable amount either.

The solution (and that is not to be construed as a dogmatic statement) seems to lie in the establishment of a United Nations which will work. One which will not be emasculated, hamstrung, impotent, veto-ridden body of the moment, but a UN which will implement the expressed desires of a majority of the nations of the world. This kind of a United Nations can be established by the United States taking a firm lead through demanding certain reforms. First, the elimination of the veto power in cases of aggression; second, the control of atomic power through the adoption of the Baruch report and, third, the establishment of a world police force under the



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egis of the United Nations, which is powerful enough to enforce the will of the majority.

These demands should be made in the hope, and with the prayer, that Russia will subscribe to them. But they should also be made with the realization that the chances are that Russia will not do so.

In that event it should be: "With the Soviet Union, if possible; without the Soviet, if necessary."

There is strong reason to believe that eighty per cent of peoples of the world will rally to the side of the western powers. As matters now stand the world is split in two. It is divided in its allegiance between two, conflicting ideologies. Unfortunately there are millions of persons who will not recognize that fact. If a reformed United Nations is proposed—and rejected by the Russian government—then the world will have to believe that which already exists.

In the meanwhile, on the "home front," here in the United States, we must learn to differentiate between our friends and our enemies. Once having determined who our friends are we must be willing to shore them up, to aid them in their fight to restore their economies so that they may trade with us and trade is the life-blood of the capitalist system which the Communist party has vowed it will destroy.

In order to shore up our friends we must be willing to sacrifice. If we are not willing to sacrifice then we might as well forget about everything. We must share with them, we must pay high taxes, we must occupy foreign terrain and we must be prepared for any emergency. The economic war in which we are engaged with the Russian people can, conceivable, end in a shooting war. Thirty months ago it was different. Thirty months ago if you were a Roman

Catholic I'll tell you exactly where you were. You were down on your knees, at mass, making the Sign of the Cross. You were vowing to God, and to Christ His Son, that it wouldn't happen again and by "you" I mean the people of America. It wouldn't happen because you would not allow it to occur. Never again would any son of yours, or his son, go out onto a field of battle.

Thirty months ago if you were a Jew you had your hands raised to Jehovah, making the same vow with the same sincerity. If you were a Protestant, as I happen to be, you probably were not on your knees, as very few of us Protestants see fit to get down on our knees to worship our God. But you had your head against the wooden pew in front of you, and your hand across your eyes, also making the same vow.

Today, what a fantastic picture is presented. Today the greatest military machine erected in the history of mankind . . . a machine built to fight aggression, not to prosecute an aggressive war . . . that machine has crumbled into the dust, rust and decay of demobilization so that if war came tomorrow we couldn't fight successfully against the Berlin Fire Department.

Thirty months ago it was a solemn vow that it "will not happen again." Today it is "get out of Germany, get out of Japan, get out of Italy, get out of Korea, get out of everywhere and come back here." So be it. But as we come back remember there are upwards of a quarter of a million who will never see the lakes of Minnesota, the cotton fields of Georgia, the Green and White Mountains of Vermont and New Hampshire, the bayous of Louisiana, the wheat and the corn of Kansas and Iowa or the Siskiyou in southern Oregon. You'll hear from the living because their voices will be raised in the council halls of the nation for months and years to come, but who is going to speak for the dead? Who

is going to answer to those Americans who lie in those stinking, heat-infested islands of the Pacific (and I saw some of them die) or those who lie in France, Italy, Germany, North Africa and the CBI theater of the struggle? The only people qualified are the people of a *UNITED* States of America . . . not a United *STATES*, but a *UNITED* States. A people willing to sacrifice just in some degree which is commensurate with the sacrifices already made, sacrifices which alone enable you to read this article in the SIGNET of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Whether you realize it or whether you don't this nation is already presented with a fait accompli. Eastern Europe is gone. G-O-N-E. It is done, finished, washed up. It lies wholly within the orbit of the Soviet Union and the leadership of the Soviet Union is openly committed to the destruction of the capitalist system. It's as simple and as plain as that. Just as there was no common denominator between fascism of Germany and communism of Russia neither is there one between the democracy of the United States and communism of Russia. *Ipsa facto*, one or the other must go because communism, as exemplified in the action of the Soviet Union, its chief exponent, is inimical to everything for which we stand. It denies all of the freedoms for which America fought in two wars.

What inspires those of us who believe so deeply and so honestly that we can read the handwriting on the wall? The words of Mr. Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes come to mind:

"Life seems to me as a picture, one which does not end at the margin. We aim at the infinite and when our arrow falls to earth it is in flames. If I could think that I had left a spark for those who come after me I would be content to say goodbye. Death plucks at my ears and says 'live, I am coming.'"

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# Evans Flying Piper Cub Around the World

A flight around the world by two Piper Cub Cruiser light planes took off from New York on the morning of August 6th. The pilots on the flight were Brother Clifford V. Evans, Jr., Epsilon Triton ex '43, 26 years of age, a former AAF B-25 pilot, and his friend George Truman, 39 years of age, well-known West Coast motorcycle hill climber and veteran pilot of 19 years' experience.

These two "Modern Magellans" are attempting a feat never before tried in an airplane of less than 575 horsepower. In the early morning light of August 6th, Evans and Truman headed their 100 horsepower sport planes northeast, on the first leg of their journey, to Goosebay, Labrador. Some 22,436 miles later, they hope to be the first to complete a globe-circling flight in a sport plane and thereby prove the efficiency and dependability of American personal aircraft.

Not aiming for any speed records, the two pilots are expecting the flight to take from 30 to 45 days. Their route took them across the Atlantic to Greenland, where Brother Evans was stationed during the war for nearly a year on anti-submarine patrol, Iceland, the British Isles, and Europe. From Europe, Evans and his fellow pilot, Truman, followed the established air routes to India, with transit stops at Tunis, Bengasi, Cairo and Abadan. From here on the two men faced the most critical legs of their flight.

On September 20, Brother Evans and his companion hopped off from Karache, India to Calcutta and thence 900 long miles across the steaming jungles of Thailand and Burma to Bangkok. As *The SIGNET* went to press, Brother Evans was reported to be on route to Canton, China. From Canton the two fliers will

continue their flight on to Shanghai, Tokyo, and Hokkaido, Japan. The toughest leg of the entire trip will be the 1850 mile over-water hop from Hokkaido, Japan to the pinpoint objective of Attu Island at the far end of the Aleutians. If the Russians grant per-



Left to right: Clifford V. Evans, Jr. and George W. Truman pictured before take-off.

mission to refuel at Kamchatka, this leg will be reduced to a simple 1050 mile hop up the Sakhalin Peninsula and then a 850 mile hop to Attu.

Even on this longest hop the Cub Cruisers will carry sufficient fuel to give a reserve range of over 800 miles. The trim, red and cream ships which Evans and Truman are using each carry 100 extra gallons of gasoline, this giving a total capacity of 138 gallons for a 27-hour, 2600 mile range at an economy cruise speed of 95 miles per hour. Both planes are equipped with all the latest flight aids including Bendix radio direction finder, VFH transmitters, the famous Sperry Gyrosyn Compass, and complete blind flying Kollsman instruments.

The gross take-off weight of the planes is approximately 2200 pounds or about 400 pounds more than the standard

weight for the Piper Super Cruiser, which normally carries three passengers and is used primarily for business and pleasure flying.

Throughout the entire flight, Evans and Truman are flying in formation "chaperoning" each other. This procedure gives the fliers the added safety factor of quicker help should one plane be forced down.

In the history of aviation few such flights as the Evans-Truman Round-the-World flight have been contemplated in aircraft as light as the two 100-horsepower Cub Cruisers. Yet, at the same time, few such ambitious flights have been attempted with as much safety margin in the form of reserve gasoline and adequate navigational equipment as has been provided in the Piper Cub Super Cruisers being flown by Brother Cliff Evans and George Truman.

The major modification in the planes consisted of the removal of the rear seat, which normally seats two passengers, and installation of two specially-constructed 50-gallon gas tanks, one on top of the other. This extra 100 gallons of fuel supplements the plane's normal capacity of 38 gallons carried in the wing tanks. At the economy cruise speed of 95 mph at efficient altitude, fuel consumption is in the neighborhood of 5 gallons per hour giving the planes a range of 27 hours and 2600 miles. Except for the 1850-mile Hokkaido-Attu jump, this represents a range well over double any of the other legs of the flight.

The Standard Cruiser engine, which is called on to lift the 400-pound overload on take-offs, is the Lycoming 4-cylinder 100-horsepower engine renowned for its reliability, smoothness and freedom from maintenance. Brother Evans expected little engine maintenance work, outside of routine inspection, on the entire trip which will require approximately 200 hours of flying time.

Additional modifications made in the

two planes included the installation of a four-quart auxiliary oil reservoir, as well as the new McCauley Met-L Props, whose knife-thin metal blades assure maximum effective power. The Met-L Props are so constructed that they give not only shorter take-off and increased climb performance, but also slightly faster cruise performance. Perhaps the most unusual installation for such a light plane is the Sperry Gyrosyn Compass which gives a positive magnetic North reading under all conditions and which has no lag or oscillation of any nature. Sperry electrically driven Gyro Horizons have also been installed in the ships. The elaborate instrumentation of the Super Cruisers makes these ships perhaps the best-equipped light airplanes ever to fly. Beyond the installation of extra gas tanks and other equipment, the globe-circling Cubs are completely standard in structure. Flightex fabric and reinforcing tape have been used in covering the planes.

This round-the-world flight of Cliff Evans and George Truman was conceived by the same human urge and desire to try the difficult which probably prompted such a man as Francisco Magellan to sail off with a small band of men in a little ship into waters and worlds unknown.

This urge to conquer the world by these men in little planes was behind the ten months of planning and preparation which culminated when the two pilots lifted their heavily-loaded Cub Cruisers off of the runway in New York for their epochal 22,500-mile flight. The results of this flight may be the dawn of an era where American tourist pilots will casually visit other continents in their own aircraft.

The whole thing started with some very idle conversation at College Park Airport near Washington, D. C. last September where Brother Evans and George Truman were instructing GI



students in flight training. As a light ship taxied to the line in front of them, Cliff sparked the bull session and gave birth to the project now nearing fruition.

"You know, George, I'll bet one of these little ships will carry enough gas to fly around the world." This faint spark of an idea, suggested mainly as an interesting piece of conversation, apparently ignited a very combustible mixture in both Evans' and Truman's minds. Right then and there they started contemplating possible gas loads, probable routes, and what type of plane would be best suited. Within 24 hours they had purchased World Aeronautical Charts, although most of the route was in Cliff's mind since he had flown a great part of it in the Army Air Forces.

Normally such "brain storms" blow over, but not so with Cliff and George. They had caught fire; as the weeks passed the idea obsessed them more and more. Both married and family men, they received encouragement from their wives. In the meantime, however, manufacturers looked at the plan with a "fishy eye," politely stalling around expecting the stark realities of the tremendous undertaking to cool down the youthful enthusiasm which in Evans' case, may have been a direct trait to explore the unknown inherited from his ancestor, Sir Walter Scott.

The first and most important step was the selection of an airplane. The two pilots studied all of the current models, figuring where they could stow their fuel and other equipment. The decision was finally made to use the Piper Super Cruiser, a 100-horsepower, three passenger plane with good speed, plenty of room in the cabin for 100 extra gallons of gas, and proven dependability.

As might be expected, complications grew as plans developed. Looking for a sponsor was a discouraging months-long effort. Skepticism rained down on them. Many offers were made "but after you've

completed the flight." In the meantime, between flight lessons, Cliff and George "huddled" in the corner of a hangar to discuss latest developments. Cliff, studying aeronautical engineering at the same time, averaged less than six hours of sleep a night what with homework, planning engineering details of the trip and instructing part time.

Clifford Vassar Evans, Jr. is a fourth generation native Washingtonian, being born in that city on the 19th of August, 1920. As a youngster he attended grade and high school at Chevy Chase, Maryland. He was Salutatorian of his high school class, graduating in February, 1938.

Brother Evans delayed his college matriculation for a year and a half to obtain some business experience as an office boy with an insurance firm and a salesman in a men's haberdashery in New Rochelle, New York. In September 1939, he enrolled in American University, Washington, D. C. where he was subsequently pledged to Phi Sigma Kappa. Brother Evans was initiated into our bond by Epsilon Triton Chapter on March 16, 1940.

At the end of his Sophomore year, Evans became interested in joining the Army Air Corps, passed his physical in July, and in October enlisted as an Aviation Cadet. Thus commenced the fulfillment of his long ambition to fly. As a cadet, he underwent training at Chickasha Army Primary Flying School and Enid Army Basic Flying School, both in Oklahoma, and Ellington Field AAF Advanced Flying School in Houston, Texas.

On May 20, 1942, Brother Evans was commissioned a Second Lieutenant and ordered to immediate extended active duty. He reported to Columbia AAB Army Base on May 25, 1942 to fly B-25's. It was while stationed at this base that Cliff married his former fellow-student, Miss Doris Kanode of Arlington, Virginia on June 14, 1942.

In the early part of 1943, Lieutenant Evans was sent to Greenland to fly anti-submarine patrol. During his eleven months at this station, he logged a total of 400 hours of over-water flying, a goodly portion of which was without a navigator, experience which will be of distinct advantage to him during his round-the-world flight. Before leaving Greenland, Lieutenant Evans took part in the bombing trip of Bernt Balchen to destroy a German Weather Station.

The arrival of his first daughter, Diane, recalled Lieutenant Evans to the United States on Red Cross emergency orders. Her health later assured, he was assigned to the First Combat Cargo Group at Bowman Field, Kentucky in April, 1944. He was again ordered overseas, this time

to the China-Burma-India theatre where he flew C-47's over much the same route he is taking on his current globe-circling flight. It was the duty of his Task Force to drop supplies to Allied outposts behind the Jap lines in Burma, evacuate bases in China, haul Chinese troops back and forth between China and Burma, and to fly fuel and spare parts to isolated bases next to and behind Japanese lines.

A Captain with the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medals, Cliff Evans in March of 1945 returned home. For six months he was stationed at the Pentagon Building in Washington, D. C. until his release shortly after the end of the war. Brother Evans wants to return to the regular AAF following successful completion of his round-the-world flight.

## Watts Elected President of Mid-West Athletic Conference



RALPH J. WATTS

At its annual meeting held at Carleton College in May, the Mid-West Athletic Conference elected as its President, Ralph J. Watts, Business Manager of Lawrence College, and since 1941 the faculty representative of that institution on the Conference.

Organized in 1921 for the purpose of determining eligibility standards and otherwise regulating and supervising intercollegiate athletics in its member institutions, the Mid-West Conference is composed of the following colleges: Beloit, Carleton, Coe, Cornell, Grinnell, Knox, Lawrence, Monmouth, and Ripon.

For twenty-four years Brother Watts has been an officer in Phi Sigma Kappa, serving as National Secretary-Treasurer from 1923 to 1938, member of the Court of Honor in 1938-1940, Historian since 1938, and member of the Council since 1940.

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# Study Of History

## A Book Review

By



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Several weeks ago, your reviewer noticed an advertisement in a periodical offering for sale to the highest bidder the original six volume edition of Arnold J. Toynbee's "A Study of History." At about the same time he received a catalogue from a second-hand book store listing, among other things, two earlier Toynbee items dealing with ancient history in which he as a teacher of Classical Civilization was especially interested. He sent in his order promptly and hopefully only to learn, promptly also, that the items had been sold before his own order had been received. In a courteous note which presented the sad news, the bookseller expressed surprise at the huge stack of orders that he had received for the two volumes in question.

Both the confidence of the owner of the six volume work that his set would command a desirable price and the demand for the earlier and less important Toynbee items that was experienced by the bookseller are a tribute to the success that has greeted the one volume

abridgement of "A Study of History" which makes available for the general reader as well as for the professional student the results of the researches of an illustrious contemporary historian.

The one volume edition, like the six tome affair which it condenses, is in no sense a historical narrative; much less is it the kind of popular historical writing that was aimed at the general reader in grandfather's day, edifying and entertaining some but more frequently serving merely to collect dust on family bookshelves.

It is a businesslike work that compels the thoughtful reader's attention as it reviews the vast pageant of history with a philosopher's as well as a historian's insight. Twenty-one civilizations including our own are studied. The conditions under which civilizations flourish are analysed; the author arrives at specific conclusions as to what makes them tick, what makes them die, and what makes them, in some cases, abortive. A careful investigation is made of the stimuli that

affect civilizations favorably and adversely. There is a convincing effort at establishing optimum stimuli.

The work abounds in a wealth of illustrative material garnered from all corners of the world and the reader is constantly astounded at the author's learning. Yet this abundance of learned illustration nowise makes the book unreadable. For Toynbee, like many of his British academic colleagues, is a stylist. He knows how to write as well as to marshal his data. His presentation is always lucid, frequently possesses literary charm of high order. Undoubtedly Mr. Somervell, who has done the author as well as the reader the service of making the condensation, deserves considerable praise for the stylistic success of the work. It could have been no light task to have achieved his result with such a complete absence of signs of joints that might well have marred the effect of the whole.

One tires of the well worn remark that such and such a book is a "must". Your reviewer will content himself with stating that Toynbee's work is a "should". It is one of the few recent books that may be considered timely in the best sense of the word and at the same time great. To those who dwell in a civilization that seems to be at sea and almost, as it were, on the point of shipwreck it should be a beacon light. Certainly the thoughtful reader will find in it an understanding that he will never secure from the loud braying of politicians who, with all their temporizing panaceas for the world's ills, still hope to be considered statesmen.

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#### PHI SIG IS PUBLISHER AND POSTMASTER

Since 1921, Brother Louis R. Mann, Theta '17, has been publishing the "Cableskill Index," a weekly newspaper. He has been in the newspaper business for the past thirty years. Brother Mann is also the Postmaster of Cableskill, New York.

#### WINDOW STICKERS

I traded in the old car yesterday,  
With lump in throat and in my heart  
a sigh.

Its window stickers spoke of Glen-  
bard High,  
Of Illinois, Phi Sigma Kappa, yea,  
Marine corps and a lad whose eyes were  
gay;

DePauw for daughters, how the years  
go by!

And for both girls, in gold, Pi Beta Phi;  
So much recalled! I sadly turned away.

That car three children learned to  
navigate;

Took driving tests, and looked on it as  
friend;

Learned self-reliance, watchfulness, the  
rate

To drive in safety as I'd recommend.

How many weary nights we watched  
till late

To see its homing headlights 'round  
the bend!

The above verse, written by Mr. Arthur F. Otis of Glen Ellyn, Ill., appeared in Charles Collins' column "A Line O' Type or Two" of the Chicago Tribune on October 2, 1947. Mr. Otis is the father of Brother Arthur Frederic Otis, Jr., Alpha Deuteron '47, who was killed in action at Okinawa on June 20, 1945.

Mr. Otis is in the advertising business in Chicago and is a frequent contributor to the "Line O' Type or Two." He is also the author of several short stories. The memorial which Mr. Otis wrote at the time of his son's death was published in "Leatherneck," the Marine Corps magazine.

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Gilbert G. Myers, Gamma Deuteron '29, recently became head of the Midwest Products Division of the Kraft Foods Company, Chicago, Illinois.



# Convention of Phi Sigma Kappa

The Somerset Hotel, Boston, Mass.

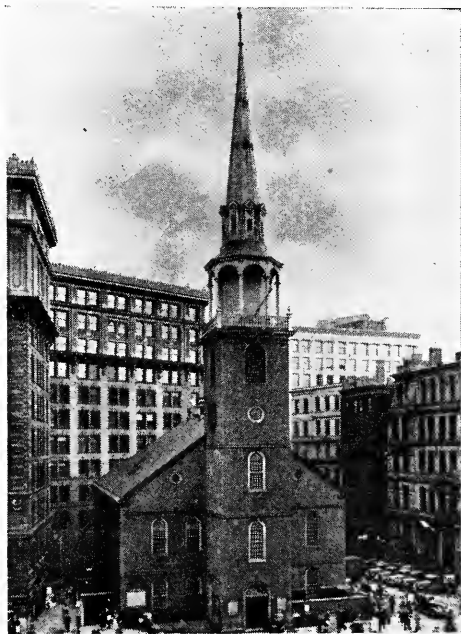
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In recognition of the 75th Anniversary of the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa, the Council has chosen to return to the region of the birth place of Phi Sigma Kappa. Boston was selected because it is the closest city to Amherst, Massachusetts, where the fraternity was founded, that can supply all the Convention needs of our fraternity.

Boston, the oldest large city in the United States was founded in 1630 by a chartered company of English colonists under the governorship of John Winthrop. Named Shawmut by its Indian inhabitants and Trimontaine by the early colonists, it received its present name on September 17, 1630 after the town of Lincolnshire, England, from which many of the company had come. Two years later it was established as the capital of the Massachusetts Bay Colony and is today capital of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Boston has always occupied a position of leadership. It was the scene of the first American printing office and the first regular newspaper, the **Boston News Letter**, which was published in Boston in 1704. America's first public school, which is still in existence, the Public

Latin School, was started in 1635. Harvard College, located across the Charles River in Cambridge, one of the country's



OLD SOUTH MEETING HOUSE

oldest institutions of higher learning, was founded in the following year.

Boston, as the natural center of the

colonies that later came to be known as New England, was continuously in the forefront in the long dispute with the mother country that culminated in the American Revolution. Because of the

ities offered by the industrial revolution around 1800. Textile mills sprang into being in towns all over New England where water power was available, and not long after, the shoe industry followed suit. Boston became the natural center for these industries both as a market for their finished products and as the port of entry for their raw materials — cotton, wool, silk and leather.

With the finest natural harbor on the Atlantic Coast, Boston in normal times is one of the world's leading ports, second only to New York in value of imports and in overseas passenger traffic. During the recent war it was one of the principal ports of embarkation for our armed forces and for lend-lease goods to Europe. Port facilities, docks and piers were enormously expanded for Army and Navy needs so that few, if any, American ports can boast superior-



HOME OF PAUL REVERE

lack of resources in New England — the soil and the climate were not suitable for the raising of the colonial staples, tobacco or cotton or sugar — this section of the New World soon became England's step-child and came to learn that it had to fend for itself. The various trade and tax laws, imposed by Britain, worked a particular hardship on New England's seaport towns. Therefore, these could subsist only through their shipping among the other colonies and between the old and the new worlds. As a result, Boston earned the name of the hotbed of the Revolution, with the Stamp Act and Revenue Act riots, the Boston Massacre, the Boston Tea Party and the Boston Port Bill, outward evidence of the city's right to the title. America still respects the names of the many rugged patriots who refused to accept England's punitive measures in silence, such men as Samuel Adams, John Hancock, Paul Revere, William Dawes and James Otis, among a long list.

Because of the lack of natural resources and its limited agriculture, New England was ready to seize the opportuni-



OLD STATE HOUSE

ity in this respect when full peace-time trading is resumed.

From earliest colonial days fishing has been an important endeavor in New England, first for subsistence; later as a

commercial enterprise. Boston is the largest fishing port on the Atlantic seaboard, with the world's biggest fish freezing plant. In peace-time more than 300,000,000 pounds of fish are received at the port annually for processing and distribution to inland markets.

Boston has played a leading role in the nation's cultural growth. Referred to in another era as "the Athens of America", it certainly held undisputed claim to this title for many years. Here—and in neighboring Cambridge and Concord—lived and worked a colony of writers which gave to American letters a distinctive place, among the world's great literatures. Names like Emerson, Holmes, Longfellow, the Alcotts, Thoreau, Hawthorne, Aldrich, Lowell, Howells, James, Parkman and an imposing roster of others form a rich and substantial background for all American writing that has come after them.

In the other cultural fields Boston has likewise played a foremost part. The present Boston Symphony and the per-

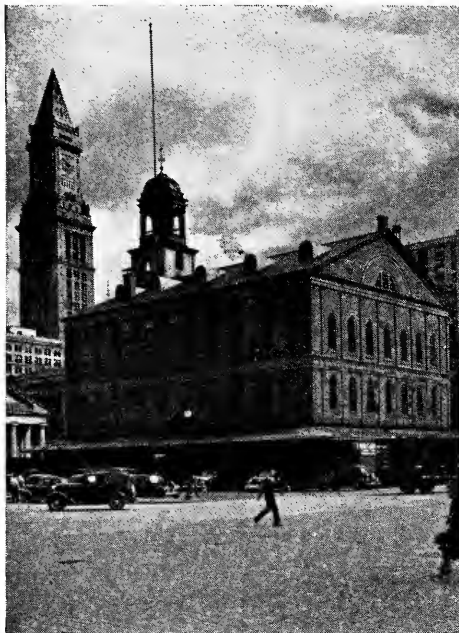
haps equally famous Pops have always played to capacity audiences because Boston is a city of music lovers. The Handel and Haydn Society, the country's oldest choral society, is still growing in popularity after well over a century of activity. Early American art had its principal cradle here and has produced such men as Copley and Stuart, Winslow Homer, Cyrus Dallin and Daniel Chester French. Today the Museum of Fine Arts is one of the three or four leading galleries in the hemisphere with a half dozen smaller museums not more than a few miles away.

The Boston Public Library boasts the largest per capita book circulation of any institution of its kind in America and incidentally it is housed in one of the city's showplaces, an authentic copy of an antique jewel case in true Italian renaissance architecture. Across Copley Square from the Library is Trinity Church (once seat of the famous Bishop Brooks) the country's outstanding example of Romanesque architecture.



BOSTON PUBLIC GARDENS WITH SKYLINE IN BACKGROUND

The country's first home of education, Boston is still a city of colleges and universities. Harvard, Massachusetts In-



FANEUIL HALL WITH CUSTOM HOUSE  
TOWER IN BACKGROUND

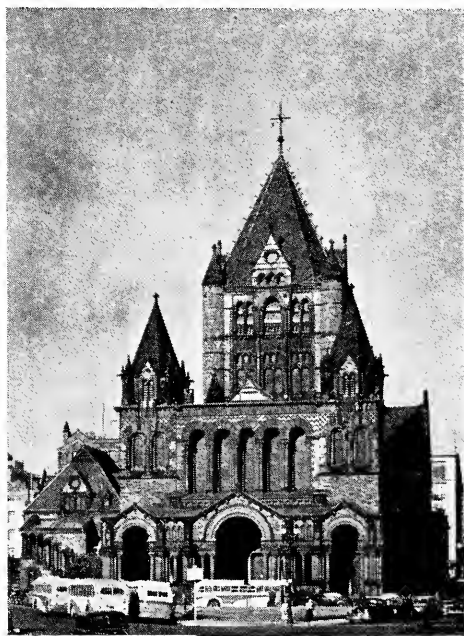
stitute of Technology, Tufts, Boston University, Boston College, Jackson, Radcliffe, Wellesley, Northeastern, Simmons, Regis, and Suffolk are all located in Metropolitan Boston and in addition there are literally hundreds of specialized schools such as the N. E. Conservatory of Music, Mass. School of Art, Forsyth Dental Clinic, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy among a long list that makes the city justly famous as a leader in education.

The geography of Boston is a subject which causes some confusion. With an area of only 44 sq. miles, Boston is the tiniest of the country's large cities. The population of the city proper in 1940 was 770,816, ranking it 9th in the country. Phi Sigs attending the Convention will learn something of this geography during the bus trip planned by the Con-

vention Committee, which trip will take in the most significant historical points of interest in the Boston metropolitan area, Lexington and Concord. The focal point of the trip will be the Shrine at Amherst, Massachusetts, where will be held the Convention ceremony in honor of our 75th birthday and to the memory of our **Gold Star Members**.

The Diamond Jubilee Convention will be the first Convention to be held since 1942. Historically, it will be the most important Convention to be held by our fraternity.

All brothers, undergraduates and a-



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lumni alike who can possibly attend our Diamond Jubilee Convention should make plans now. In this connection, the national headquarters and the Convention Committee are glad to offer whatever assistance possible.

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# Phi Sigma Kappa

By RALPH J. WATTS

(Continued from May 1947 SIGNET)

1934-1936

The elections of the 1934 Convention placed two new members on the governing board; Harry M. Cregier who succeeded Hamilton as Vice-President from Region I; and William E. Zimmerman who succeeded Humes as Vice-President from Region II. For many years Cregier had served most effectively as Adviser of Beta Chapter; and since his undergraduate days, Zimmerman had maintained an interest in the affairs of his own chapter (Lambda) and in the larger activities of the national organization.

For this Council and especially for its President, the principal task was to put into operation and to make as effective as possible the important legislation enacted by the 1934 Convention, most of which legislation had been inspired and organized under the aggressive leadership of Lafean.

Two newly appointed officers of the Council were provided by this legislation: namely, that of Alumni Secretary to which position the Council appointed Lafean, and that of Chaplain for which Stewart W. Herman was selected.

The appointment of other officers continued Watts as Secretary-Treasurer, Burrows as Editor of *THE SIGNET*, and Scholz as Trustee of the Endowment Fund.

The "Creed" adopted by the Convention was to be printed in small pamphlet form and distributed to undergraduates and others, and the "Cardinal Principles" were to be printed, framed and furnished to the chapters without expense to them.

A budget committee, consisting of the President, Secretary-Treasurer and Vice-president Director of Finances was now functioning as a sub-committee of the Council; its duty was to review the financial operations of the Fraternity and to determine the most advantageous manner in which its resources should be used.

Pursuant to the action of this Council at its first meeting, the President appointed a special committee, consisting of Schoening, Marchmont and Lafean to make a comprehensive study of the sources of revenue of other fraternities and the manner in which this revenue was being used. This survey was considered essential if Phi Sigma Kappa was to effect further improvements in its administrative technique.

This committee was to serve for four years and to formulate the legislation which at the 1938 Convention resulted in a substantial increase in revenue from undergraduate dues.

It was now the practice of each Council to hold three meetings, one in connection with the Convention which elected it, one immediately preceeding the Convention to which it was to report at the end of its stewardship, and one in the summer vacation period of the intervening year. This policy had been dictated by considerations of economy, especially since now two members of the Council resided on the Pacific coast. Furthermore, the existing system of organization and delegation of duties to the various members of the Council were such as to make more frequent meetings unnecessary.

At the meeting of the Council held at West Point, New York, in August, 1935, and in accordance with the prevailing practice, reports were presented by each member of the Council and discussion ensued on the problems raised therein.

At this meeting there was first presented the application for a charter by Phi



DON A. HAMILTON

Beta Zeta, a local at the American University at Washington, D. C. (Epsilon Triton Chapter). Under the By-laws as revised in 1934, such petitions were now to be acted upon by the Council, after receiving the approval of the Conclave of the district in which the local was situated and of the Supreme Court. At the meeting of the Council held in Ithaca, August 17-18, 1936, final affirmative action on this petition was taken, and the report thereon made to the 1936 Convention.

During this period consideration was given by the Council to the desirability of economizing in the expenditure of Council funds by removing from the By-laws.

the requirement that a general Convention should by the process of regional rotation be held once in ten years on the Pacific coast. Such a proposal, however, was not to be approved until the 1938 Convention.

The committee on ritual revision composed of Lowe, Rand and Lafean, made a report of progress to the Council and to the Convention, and the committee was continued.

### *THE 1936 CONVENTION — ITHACA*

The 1936 Convention was held at Ithaca as the guest of Gamma Chapter. Brother George Vogel, who in that year was completing forty years of continuous service as a national officer, attended the Convention and was its most distinguished guest. Founder Brooks, who because of failing health was unable to attend, sent his regrets and greetings.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer disclosed in general a healthy condition among the surviving chapters. The average number of initiates per chapter had increased in a gratifying manner from the low point of previous years, and the treasury showed a safe cash balance and surplus.

During the previous two years three chapters had become inactive, those at the Ohio State University, the University of North Carolina and the University of Virginia.

In an effort to save the Ohio chapter, the Council for nearly two years had provided special deputy service, as well as financial loans. The cash outlay involved by this project represented approximately \$1,200. for deputy service, over \$100.00 in loans from the Council funds and over \$500.00 in loans from the emergency fund.

The situation at North Carolina was of such a character that no assistance which the Council could reasonably render to it would have averted the unfortunate outcome.

Financial assistance had been extended to the University of Virginia chapter, but conditions of internal management made its successful continuance impossible. This chapter previously had been inactive from 1916 to 1921 when it was revived.

Because of the loss of chapters, the regional Vice-Presidents were actively seeking to discover in leading educational institutions within their districts strong locals that might become associated with Phi Sigma Kappa. However, few qualified prospects were found. It appeared that the marked increase in the total number of chapters of national fraternities which characterized the decade ending in 1930, had absorbed practically every strong local, and that since 1930 many of the remaining locals had disbanded.

Special projects which the Council in this period had undertaken were a special edition of *The Signet* in May, 1936, in which biographical sketches appeared of over 300 of the prominent alumni of the Fraternity; the presentation to the chapters of framed copies of the "Fraternity Criteria" which had been prepared by the National Interfraternity Conference; framed copies of the "Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa"; the printing of a new fraternity song written by Herbert L. Brown; and a subscription to Banta's Greek Exchange for all chapters.

The condition of the chapters had required the continuance of special deputy service, and at the 1936 Convention the Treasurer was to report expenditures for this purpose since 1932 of over \$6,000 and commented "that this expenditure represents an unusual draft upon the resources of the fraternity. These funds might have been utilized otherwise for more general service to all chapters."

At one session of this Convention the problem of increasing the Endowment Fund was discussed at length, and tentative plans were made for achieving this objective. However, no immediate results in the form of individual donations were to be noted.

The undergraduates at this Convention raised in various forms the question of enlarging the service and activities of the national organization. Although no special projects were suggested or outlined whereby this objective might be achieved, an amendment to the By-laws was presented by the undergraduates which provided for an increase in the undergraduate dues from 25c to 50c per month. Since this proposal would affect undergraduates chiefly, it was agreed that undergraduates only should vote. There were 44 votes in the affirmative and 35 in the negative. While a majority favored the increase in this annual expense, the legislation was not carried because being an amendment to the By-laws, a two-thirds affirmative vote was necessary. However, the Convention directed the Council to explore further the problem of enlarging its activities, which manifestly would increase the cost of membership, and to report at a subsequent Convention.

Interest in a training school and exemplifications of the secret rituals was evidenced by recommendations presented by the undergraduates.

At the Convention banquet Zimmerman served as toast-master. John Adams Lowe made the principal address.

The publication of a directory of members was authorized and provision was made for financing it by transferring \$1,000 from the Emergency Fund and by selling the directory to alumni for \$1.00 per copy and to undergraduates for 50c.

At this Convention no issues of major importance, compared at least with those presented at the previous Convention, were considered.

Brother Hamilton had been a conscientious and industrious executive, sensitive to the needs of the Fraternity and loyal in meeting the demands always made upon the President. But during his administration no radical reforms were proposed—probably because none at that time were needed. The Convention elected as its new President, Earl F. Schoening; at a closed session the unwritten secret rituals of the fraternity were exemplified by Lafean; and President Schoening was inducted into office by the official ceremony.



Regional Director Bruce C. Bean, Director for Region VI, and Thomas C. Spaulding, Chapter Adviser of Mu Deuteron Chapter.

### OMEGA DEUTERON'S MOON-LIGHT GIRL PARTY

One of the biggest social events at the University of Southern California is the annual Moonlight Girl Dance given by the Omega Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. This year a party, costing \$2,000, was held at a private club on a bluff overlooking the Pacific near Redondo Beach, California. The chapter's choice was blue-eyed Jane Gray, 19-year-old taffy blonde sophomore and Delta Gamma pledge.

A two-page spread publicizing the event appeared in the September, 1947 issue of PIC magazine.

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# The President Speaks

(Excerpts from the President's message to the Council)

Following a custom of long standing, I present herewith my report to the Council as President of the Fraternity, at the end of my first year in that high office. As I conceive it, this report should be a message covering the general state of the Fraternity as of today, and embodying recommendations of future policies designed to insure its continued success and progress. Mine may possibly turn out to be unique in one respect. I shall be equally as frank and forthright in my criticisms as I am in my commendation, for it is my unalterable opinion that if we are to lead our Brotherhood along the path of progress, we can do so only by recognizing our shortcomings and thereby charting our course to overcome them successfully.

One year ago we adjourned the last Council meeting, resolved that when we gathered here again we would be in a position to point with pride to a stronger, a larger and a more highly respected Phi Sigma Kappa. Our hopes and aspirations were high, and while we have differed in minor respects as to the relative importance of our several objectives, and the methods to be employed in attaining them, we were united in the main features of a constructive program, which we were confident would enable us to realize those hopes and aspirations. As we review the results of our planning and of our subsequent labors, we have every reason to feel that on the whole our Fraternity has made substantial progress during the year and that many of our objectives have been achieved or are within reach. Let us examine some of our achievements briefly.

## Chapter Roll

Having struggled through the transition period from war to peace, last year

we had succeeded in raising our active chapter list from a low of 16 to a full quota of 43 — a complement which included all chapters we had at the beginning of the war plus one revived chapter — Pi Deuteron. All of these chapters were



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listed as active with the questionable exception of Kappa Deuteron, but we all recognized clearly that in the case of several — perhaps an even half dozen, — the active status might be changed overnight, so weak were some of these chapters.

It should be a matter of considerable pride to us all to know that today every one of these weak groups is in a far stronger position than a year ago and there seems little doubt that they will continue to progress satisfactorily.

Launching our Expansion Campaign we have inducted in quick succession Theta Triton at the University of Texas, Iota Triton at the University of Connecticut and Kappa Triton at Fresno State College, bringing our chapter roll up to 46. Iota Triton resulted from intensive

colonizing work—and the other two chapters were the result of petitions from existing local fraternities. All three are chapters of which we can be justly proud.

The amalgamation of Omega with the California Chapter of Sigma Phi Sigma, brought about by the splendid efforts of Brothers Palm and Wood, was a noteworthy event which insured the complete revival of Omega and placed that chapter in a very strong position.

Thus we have succeeded not only in strengthening the foundation upon which we began our building, but we have made a good start in the erection of the ultimate structure.

### Manpower

A year ago we all recognized the possibility of initiating a record number of men in 1946-1947 in view of the swollen college enrollments everywhere. However, the hopes of even the most sanguine, in this respect, were far surpassed. In October, the Budget Committee based its estimate of revenue upon approximately 600 initiates. It is a matter of deep gratification that we can announce that as of the close of our fiscal year June 30, the number has reached 1081.

### Finances

We have reason for further gratification when we review our financial statement for the fiscal year, ending June 30, for in spite of heavy expenditures for expansion and the transfer of \$4,500 for the Convention reserve, we added to our surplus. Hence, our financial position is excellent and reflects sound financing and judicious investing by our Secretary-Treasurer. The record breaking number of initiates and the further development of our Signet Life Membership plan have produced what is probably the largest annual revenue in the history of the Fraternity. We have every reason to feel that we can look with the utmost confidence to the coming year in respect to our financial structure.

### Visitation

I should like to report at this point concerning my visitations during the year. I attended the Conclaves of Regions III and IV. I spoke at six Founders' Day dinners and my chapter visits covered the following chapters—Zeta, Eta, Lambda, Mu, Nu, Xi, Phi, Epsilon Deuteron, Kappa Deuteron, Pi Deuteron, Rho Deuteron, Xi Deuteron and Epsilon Triton. I attended nearly all the luncheons and dinners of the Philadelphia Alumni Club which I aided in reactivating. I also served as one of our delegates at the National Interfraternity Council meeting in New York last November. Incidentally I had the honor of addressing all Fraternity men at the University of Tennessee at the time of the Region III Conclave in April.

My decision not to attend the Conclaves of Regions V and VI, but to send Brother Schoening in my stead was, I assure you, a real personal sacrifice, for it was a trip which I wanted very much to make. However it was my considered opinion that at this critical time the Fraternity could ill afford to send two national officers on this expensive trip and that the one who could give the most time to chapter inspection and expansion work should be the one to go. The results of Brother Schoening's work while on this trip, I believe fully vindicated my judgment in this matter.

### The Signet

Our official organ, The SIGNET, continues to be one of our most valuable assets, and it has retained during the year its high rank among fraternity publications—a great tribute to our capable Editor. Although the publishing cost accounts for a large part of our budget, we can ill afford to economize too much upon an asset which has such great potentialities for retaining Alumni interest, for keeping undergraduates national minded, and for selling Phi Sigma Kappa to new

chapters. The high quality of The Signet must be retained if our general program is to be realized.

### Public Relations

This is a subject which to my mind has been either side-stepped or neglected entirely in our deliberations in recent years. It is one which has so many ramifications that it can only be touched upon in this report, but I strongly urge the Council to make an intensive study of practical ways and means by which the Fraternity can be more effectively publicized not only among our own membership and in the fraternity world, but to the public in general. The selection of a specific member of the Council or of an interested Alumnus as a Public Relations Director may turn out to be the answer to our problem. Let us stop being shrinking violets and rather adopt the homely saying that "he who tooteth not his own horn the same shall not be tooted."

### Ritual and Fraternity Ideals

I am deliberately linking these two subjects together, because they should have so much in common, even though some of us may have drifted away from this line of thinking. My conviction with regard to the present initiation ritual is well-known to the members of this Council. It has not fluctuated one iota during the last year and opinions on the subject, gathered in the course of my visitations, have only served to strengthen that conviction.

I have with me ready for your consideration, a further revision of the ritual presented at the last Council meeting. This is in accord with the instructions I received at that time. However, I desire to emphasize what I said then—namely that if I cannot count upon the whole-hearted support of the Council—not in respect to agreement on details, but on the general structure—I shall discontinue my efforts for revision rather than insist upon presenting to the Convention next year a ritual for which there

is no great demand, and in which there is little more than passive interest in the Council.

The same concept of our fraternal structure which has inspired me to tie in our professed ideals with our ritualistic work, as you will observe when I present the new version, also prompts me to lay stress upon the urgent need for our Regional Directors to insist that greater attention be given by their chapters to the Cardinal Principals and our aims and purposes. If we fail as a fraternity to observe these ideals, I warn you that we will be slowly permitting the very foundation of our brotherhood to crumble, and though we may continue as an organization, we will never rise above the status of just another mediocre fraternity. Pure idealism you will say, but I insist that it is practical idealism.

### Scholarship

Recently an Alumnus of Theta Delta Chi inaugurated a plan to establish a Scholarship Directors Association in the N.I.C. similar to the Editors Association. I took the liberty to pledge our support to this movement and at my request Brother Ralph Watts graciously accepted my appointment of him as our representative—at least until the Council makes a provision for this office.

### Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation

Before this Council meeting comes to a conclusion it is my hope that the proposed plans for a Foundation, discussed at various times in recent years, will be ratified by the Council. To my mind this will be a most constructive step forward. The Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws have been drawn up by Brother Leighton Stradley after preliminary discussions by a Committee composed of Brothers Strandley, Billy McIntyre, Bill Zimmerman and myself.

Foundations are now being, or have already been, set up by a number of Fraternities and it is my feeling that if we

can publicize it properly and can employ the right mechanics we will not experience much difficulty in building it to proportions that will not only turn out to be a valuable agency for service to our undergraduates, but a vital link with our Alumni which we desire and need so much.

### Chapter Advisers

Here is a category in which we have probably broken another record during the past year. The turn over in Advisers has been very close to 50%, with replacements in 19 chapters and new appointments in our three new chapters. Whether this mortality among Advisers will result in an addition to the credit or the debit side of the ledger will be largely determined by the care with which the appointees were first selected and later instructed by the Regional Directors. In each case I have written to the new Adviser informing him of his appointment and outlining briefly his responsibilities in the position. I cannot too strongly emphasize the urgent need for care in the selection of Advisers and for an all-out effort to make Advisers — and chapters too — conscious of the fact that they are in reality representatives of the Council and are expected to cooperate with and enforce the mandates of that body. We must not weaken in our determination to make our Adviser set-up a potent part of our fraternity structure, not only from a local, but from a national point of view.

### Expansion

Now let us turn to a subject which has doubtless been in the fore-front of the fraternity thinking of us all during the year. At least it has consumed more of our time and effort and probably expense than any other single activity. The accomplishment of having inducted three new chapters will, in a superficial analysis, seem to be an unimpressive beginning toward our primary goal, but our actual

record on this project during the year is far more encouraging than those few successes would indicate. Actually our chances for going into at least six other colleges and universities are exceedingly bright and with any kind of good fortune plus a little hard work, I am confident that the early fall will see us going over the 50 mark. It is altogether reasonable to assume that if we had not lost the services of our Field Secretary, Bill Gott, in midwinter, we might have made this an accomplished fact before this time.

Early last fall I wrote to approximately 75 colleges requesting information on the possibility of placing a chapter at each of these institutions. The replies were immediately forwarded to the Central Office and those leads which gave promise of early development were followed up promptly. The most insignificant bit of information which might serve as a lead on new chapters was not overlooked and contacts were made wherever there appeared to be a chance either of picking up a local or of developing a group by colonization. The splendid work of Brother Ackerman was effectively correlated with follow-up procedure by Brother Schoening at headquarters and by Brothers Palm and Wood in Region VI, Brother Bean in Region V, and Brothers Downing and Hamilton in Region I. Brother Schoening did a vast amount of valuable spade work on his western trip which is certain to pay dividends in our future expansion plans.

However throughout the year I have noted with growing concern a glaring need for better organization in this whole project. The load of following up likely-looking leads with a minimum of delay must be spread among a larger number of responsible brothers. One man or even a half dozen men, however devoted they may be to the task, cannot hope to blanket the country on a large scale successful expansion campaign. Certainly among our 19,000 living members there is a suf-



ficient number of men who will gladly contribute their time and effort to build a bigger and better Phi Sigma Kappa, so that it will not be necessary for one or two men to drop what they are doing in one part of the country and race frantically a thousand or more miles to cover a hot tip before it cools off. Let us find them, enlist their cooperation and appraise them of our expansion plans.

It behooves us ever to bear in mind that the condition which is responsible for the many opportunities for chapters may continue but a few short years and may not be repeated for decades to come. Hence we must be constantly on the alert to take advantage of them, just as virtually all other national fraternities are doing. Lethargy on our part may determine whether Phi Sigma Kappa will be a leader among fraternities in the years to come or just a second-rater.

On the other hand I would be remiss in the performance of my duties if I neglected to give warning that we must not sacrifice quality for quantity, nor can we afford to be so short sighted as to neglect to expand and perfect administrative organization sufficiently to take the proper care of the new chapters when we get them. Upon this Council rests the responsibility to determine the correct balance that must be struck between chapter roll expansion and organizational expansion. Let us not take lightly this important responsibility.

### Conclaves

During the year Conclaves were held in Regions III, IV, V and VI. In the case of the first two Regional Conclaves I can report from personal observation that the meetings were not only inspiring from a fraternal point of view, but were productive of some extremely valuable suggestions. Reports made to me on the Regions V and VI Conclaves were of a similar nature. I congratulate the Directors of these regions for their excellent work. It is essential that Conclaves be

held in Regions I and II this Fall, and I urge the Directors of these Regions to plan for these important meetings at an early date.

### Convention

Next year we will celebrate our Diamond Jubilee, the 75th anniversary of our founding. We agreed at the last Council Meeting that no effort should be spared to make this Convention the greatest event thus far in the history of the Fraternity.

The Convention Committee is composed of the following brothers—Don Downing, Chairman, Earl Schoening, Ralph Watts, Don Hamilton, Donald Smith, Adviser of Epsilon Deuteron, Milford Atwood, Adviser of Alpha, and Carl Bartow, Adviser of Omicron.

### In Memoriam

It now becomes my sad duty to announce officially to the Council the passing on to the Chapter Invisible of our beloved Past President, Brother John H. Marchmont. For seventeen years John was a member of this body. He gave generously of his time and devotion to the cause of our Brotherhood which he loved. He guided skillfully and successfully the destinies of our Fraternity through six of the most critical years of its existence, and for this devoted service and many others we shall always owe him our deepest gratitude. We shall miss him, his cheery smile, his kindly humor and his many warm human traits. Out of respect to his memory and as a mark of our deep devotion to him, I request the members of the Council to rise for a moment of silent prayer.

A suitable memoriam will be prepared for our archives by Brothers Watts and Collins, and a copy thereof will be sent to John's widow, Gladys Marchmont.

### Recognition

I wish here to acknowledge my deep gratitude to the members of the Council and to others who have by their hearty

cooperation contributed so splendidly to our progress of the past year. My personal thanks is extended to each one of you for your contribution to our achievements. I only hope that I may deserve your continued cooperation and support in our endeavors during the year to come.

While one always runs the risk of an unintentional omission in singling out individuals for special mention, I cannot let this opportunity pass to compliment and thank Brothers Palm, Bean and Downing of the Council and Brothers Hamilton and Wood of the Court for their fine work on our Expansion Program—work which has already paid handsome dividends with more virtually assured in the near future.

A generous share of our compliments and gratitude must go to the teams inducting our new chapters—the one from Beta Triton under the able direction of Brother Collins, the Omega team directed as ably by Brother Palm and the Epsilon Deuteron team, just as capably handled by Brother Downing. All three occasions proved to be a great credit to Phi Sigma Kappa, and played an important part in the successful induction of our three new chapters.

This fraternity is indebted more than some of you may realize to Brother Walt Ackerman, who as Field Secretary, carried much of the load of our Expansion work. The results of his untiring efforts and his judicious handling of difficult problems already have offered mute testimony to the quality of his work, not to mention further results which we can safely anticipate in the months to come. Walt, my hat is off to you for a job well done.

And now for what I might facetiously call the *piece de resistance* of this section of my message. It is probable that we've all griped at one time or another because he didn't answer our letters promptly. Perhaps we've sworn softly under our breath when he didn't send a check for

our expense voucher in the very next mail. Yes, and each of us probably has experienced a shiver up and down his spine upon reading one of his chilly letters, couched in legalistic phraseology. Yet, there is not one member of this body who does not know that Brother Earl Schoening, our capable Secretary-Treasurer, represents a value to Phi Sigma Kappa, which we would find it extremely difficult—if not almost impossible—to replace. Nor is there a Phi Sig anywhere in a position to know, who will not insist that he is the best fraternity magazine editor in the country today. His boundless energy, his wise counsel and a capacity for organizing his office staff into an efficient working unit have not failed to win the admiration of us all. My own relations with him and the central office have been most satisfactory—the result of the heartiest kind of cooperation. To you, Earl and to Helen and the rest of the staff, I extend my most sincere thanks with the hope that I can be more helpful to you in the year to come than I have been in the past year.

In conclusion, may I thank you all for your indulgence in listening to this somewhat long and tiresome dissertation, which, I am sure, will not go down in the annals of Phi Sigma Kappa as an erudite pronouncement, characterized either by profound logic or by forensic eloquence. In order to avoid repetition I have purposely refrained from going into detail in discussing many of these subjects and have omitted others, because I knew they would be covered by our Secretary-Treasurer in his meticulous thoroughness. I shall be content if I have offered suggestions that will contribute substantially to our deliberations and if some small bit of inspiration can be found herein that will aid in charting the course of our ship of state for the next year.

To this Council is given an opportunity for service to our Fraternity that has been denied to many Councils in the past. We

can make the most of it by hard conscientious work, by an appreciation of our responsibilities, and by a determination to fulfill these responsibilities to the best of our ability. I have complete confidence in the members of this Council that we will do just that, and that we will go to the 1948 Convention, proud of our contribution to the cause of Phi Sigma Kappa and satisfied that we have proved our worthiness of the trust that has been placed in us.

### FALCONER ELECTED TO FILL COUNCIL VACANCY

At its annual meeting held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, August 14-17, the Council of the Grand Chapter elected Brother R. Haven Falconer, Tau '39, as Director-at-Large to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Brother John H. Marchmont, Theta '10.

Brother Falconer was born February 28, 1918, in New York City. He received his early education in the public schools of Nutley, N. J. and later attended Dartmouth College where he received his Bachelor's degree in June, 1939.

During his undergraduate days, Haven was House Manager and later Treasurer of Tau Chapter. In addition he served as Manager of the "Dartmouth Players" and the varsity baseball team. During his senior year, Brother Falconer directed a special exhibition of the Clavilux sponsored by Tau Chapter to demonstrate the fraternity's interest in campus-wide activities. Haven was also a chapter delegate to the General Convention held at San Francisco in 1938.

Following his graduation, Brother Falconer was appointed Director of Dartmouth College Films. While serving in this capacity Haven also acted as Chapter Adviser for Tau.

Brother Falconer was a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army Signal Corps during the recent war but due to an unfortunate attack of infantile paralysis he received

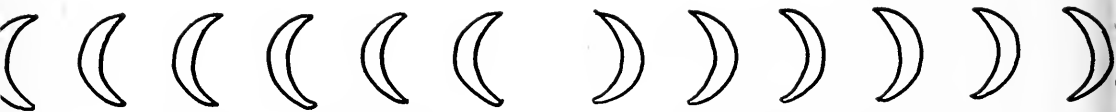
a medical discharge early in 1942. Following his discharge from the Army, Falconer was appointed Civilian Director of the Visual Aids Department, United States Armed Forces Institute. When



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the war ended, the Visual Aids Department of the USAFI was discontinued, and Haven then joined Loew's International Corporation, which is the exporting company for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures. In connection with this position, Brother Falconer is setting up an educational division for Loew's to introduce the use of motion pictures for educational purposes through its 108 overseas offices.

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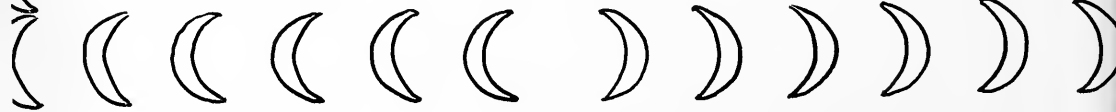


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### PHI SIGS TO SELECT MOONLIGHT GIRL

At its recent meeting, the Council authorized a Phi Sig Moonlight Girl Contest to be conducted by The SIGNET. The winner will have her round-trip travel expense, by first class railroad, paid from the place of her residence, provided the same is in continental United States to the Diamond Jubilee Convention at the Somerset Hotel in Boston, as well as her Convention expense. She will be crowned the Moonlight Girl of Phi Sigma Kappa at the dinner dance which is being arranged as part of the Convention Program.

Each chapter has been requested to sponsor a candidate for this honor. The candidates may be any single undergraduate woman. The photographs of the candidates sponsored by the chapters will be published in the January, 1948, SIGNET over numerical designations. Ballots for voting will be provided undergraduates and alumni through the January, 1948, SIGNET. The six young ladies receiving the largest number of votes cast will have their pictures published in the March, 1948, SIGNET and again The SIGNET will provide ballots for the selection by undergraduates and alumni of the winner of the contest, whose picture will be published in the May, 1948, SIGNET.

Every chapter should sponsor a Moonlight candidate. Chapters located in colleges and universities which are not co-educational have been requested to draw their candidates from a girl's school selected by them.

Chapters! One of the January moons shown on the opposite page is there to shine upon your candidate; all you have to do is provide the girl and may she also be favored with the light of the March Moon.

Best of luck to you in causing that May Moon to glow with all its radiance upon your favorite Moonlight Girl.

### BEAN JOINS WASHINGTON NATIONAL

Brother Bruce C. Bean, Theta Deuteron '22, Director from Region VI, has resigned from the partnership of Lacey & Bean which operated the Franklin Agencies of Washington. Effective June 1st of this year, Brother Bean became



BRUCE C. BEAN

general agent for the Washington National Insurance Company for life, accident and group insurance in the state of Washington. He has purchased the H. A. Wares Agency following the death of Mr. Wares some months ago. Bruce will maintain offices for Washington National at 832 Republic Building, Seattle.

Brother Bean started in the insurance business six years ago with the Federal Old Line Life Insurance Company. For the past three years he has been associated with the Franklin Life Insurance Company as a regional director.

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# The Secretary Reports

(From the Report of the Secretary-Treasurer and Editor of THE SIGNET Addressed to the Council.)

The academic year 1946-47 will probably be recorded in the annals of Phi Sigma Kappa as one of its most prosperous periods. Our initiations were the highest in the history of the fraternity and for the most part our chapters were



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the largest ever known to the fraternity. We added three new chapters to the chapter roll; we materially strengthened three other chapters, one by constant attention and some financial assistance during its reactivation, another by a merger, and the third by a loan obtained from the Endowment Trustees. Our expansion program, the most formidable of any Phi Sigma Kappa undertaking was completely financed out of the revenues obtained last year. The SIGNET Life Subscription Fund is no longer merely a By-law; in one year it has grown from a fund of \$3,000.00 to a fund of \$10,000.00.

## Initiates

The total initiates last year reached a peak of 1081. Xi Chapter led the chapters in initiations with fifty-five. This is the largest number of initiates ever initiated by a chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa during an academic year. Lambda Chapter was second with forty-eight initiates, Chi Chapter was third with forty-six and Tau Chapter and Rho Deuteron Chapter tied for fourth with forty-one initiates each. Our forty-six chapters averaged 21.6 initiates per chapter.

## Chapter Rehabilitation and Expansion

The chapter rehabilitation and expansion account of the fraternity totaling \$7,268.08 is the largest single expense item of the fiscal year expiring June 30, last. The Budget Committee had hoped to accomplish the program for \$5,600.00. However, the extensive work required and the higher cost of food and lodging made it impossible to carry on that program for any less money than was expended. Field Secretary Walter F. Ackerman visited twenty-eight colleges and universities with some very definite favorable results; he accomplished much important ground work. As the result of Brother Ackerman's activity, we have firmly reestablished Pi Deuteron Chapter. Our Theta Triton Chapter at the University of Texas is the result of his work and his follow-up of my visit to Fresno State College was a most helpful factor to Brothers Palm, Wood and Tenney in the establishment of Kappa Triton Chapter.

The addition of Iota Triton Chapter to our chapter roll is the result of the work of Brothers Downing and Hamilton and a group of five Phi Sig Brothers who are members of the faculty at the University of Connecticut. Of this group,

the helpfulness of Brother Dorsey was particularly significant and at the present time the members of the Iota Triton Chapter meet at Brother Dorsey's home where he and his wife equipped, at their own expense, a spacious and adequate meeting room, complete with fire place, in the basement of their large home adjacent to the Connecticut Campus.

### Signet

The increase in the cost of printing The SIGNET during the last academic year results from the higher prices prevailing and the greater number of copies required by our larger active chapters.

The number of pages and the circulation of each issue is as follows:

<i>Issue</i>	<i>Pages</i>	<i>Circulation</i>
October, 1946	120	4,300
January, 1947	112	3,700
March, 1947	64	3,550
May, 1947	112	4,650

The cost per copy of publishing The SIGNET during the last fiscal year was \$.37.

### Pledge Manual

The national fraternity spent \$1,661.92 in printing the seventh edition of the "Outline For Pledge Education." In order to conform with the suggestion made by some of the chapters, 2,500 copies were paper bound and 980 copies were case bound. The paper bound copies are furnished gratuitously and the case bound copies are sold at \$1.00 per copy. I believe our fraternity may take a modest pride in the appearance of our case bound copy. The cost per copy, paper bound is \$.39 and the case bound is \$1.00.

### Conclaves

Conclaves were held by Regions III, IV, V and VI during the last academic year. Your Secretary-Treasurer attended each one of these Conclaves. All of them were well attended and invigorating.

### Visitations

In addition to attending the Conclaves at Columbus, Knoxville, Corvallis, and Los Angeles, your Secretary attended the

meeting of the College Fraternity Secretaries at Absecon, New Jersey last August, the N.I.C. in New York City in November and prior to that meeting, he presented Arthur Irzyk with a Phi Sigma Kappa key at a candle-light dinner given at the Alpha Chapter House. Brother Irzyk was voted the typical Phi Sig veteran in a SIGNET contest.

Another very refreshing visit by your Secretary was that to the Gamma Chapter House early in December following the N.I.C. Meeting in New York City. This was in conjunction with the meeting of the College Fraternity Secretaries at Cornell University. The attractiveness of the chapter house, and the cordiality of the members of the chapter were a credit to any fraternity chapter. On the same trip your Secretary visited the L. G. Balfour Plant, Omicron, Eta Triton and Pi Deuteron Chapters as well as Kent University. He also gave the Founders' Day address at Alpha Deuteron.

Your Secretary reported in detail on his Western Trip in his article entitled "Secretary's Western Conclave Diary" published in the March, 1947 SIGNET. I hope it was as inspiring to the chapters and alumni clubs who entertained me as it was to me.

The chapters visited on this trip were Mu Deuteron, Lambda Deuteron, Theta Deuteron, Psi Deuteron, Omega, Nu Deuteron and Omega Deuteron. Your Secretary was entertained by the Phi Sigma Kappa Clubs of Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles. The hospitality extended to me by Brothers Bean, Wood, Palm, Spaulding, Harold Mann, Ted Lassagne, Spencer Olin and Dean Rankin on this trip was unsurpassed.

### Convention

The Budget Committee set aside \$4,500.00 during this academic year for the 1948 Convention. This together with \$500.00 previously set aside by another administration for that Convention together with the existing convention re-

serve brings our convention reserve account up to \$6,378.30. The Budget Committee anticipated setting aside another \$4,500.00 during the next academic year which will raise the 1948 Convention Fund to \$10,878.30.

### Alumni

That more alumni have become interested in the fraternity during the last academic year is evident by the increase in alumni dues and in the number of Life Subscriptions to *The SIGNET* that have been received from them. There is still much work to be done. We should have more alumni clubs and all clubs should be encouraged to hold weekly luncheons or monthly meetings. They should be visited and given some program guide by the national fraternity.

### National Headquarters

We have had a very busy year at the national headquarters. By February it was apparent that my three assistants and

I could not cope with the situation. We were fortunate in being able to obtain the services of another fulltime girl who has by this time taken over our address records and address plates and as the result of her constant attention they are virtually up-to-date. Another result of our continuous work on address changes is that we have only 923 unknowns out of a total living membership of 18,863.

Until last June, the walls of our headquarters were virtually bulging with equipment and supplies. Fortunately for us we spoke for a store room coincident with one becoming available. We rented it and now we can breathe again.

During the last academic year 156 persons visited the national headquarters.

All the members of my staff join me in thanking the members of the Council for their fine cooperation and for their patience and understanding of our efforts to provide a smoothly run and efficient national headquarters.



ROY Yoke

### ROY Yoke ELECTED MOOSE GOVERNOR

The new Supreme Governor of the Loyal Order of Moose, announced at the group's 59th annual Convention in Columbus, Ohio was Brother F. Roy Yoke, Delta '05, of Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Brother Yoke was elected to succeed Mr. Loe W. Ryan of Bedford, Penna.

Brother Yoke was elevated to the principal executive post of the Loyal Order of Moose from the office of Supreme Junior Governor and will serve in this office for one year.

Brother Yoke has served as Alumni Secretary of West Virginia University, president of the Board of Governors of the University and is now Collector of Internal Revenue for the State of West Virginia. His son Frank Roy Yoke, Jr. is a member of Delta Chapter and will receive his law degree from West Virginia University in January.



# Council Holds Busy Session

The Council of Phi Sigma Kappa had a busy four day session at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, August 14-17, 1947. It covered some fifty-seven subjects, spending a total time of thirty-five hours in session during the four day period, your Secretary-Treasurer obtaining forty-five typewritten pages of minutes. All the national officers presented written reports, Brother Donald G. Downing supplementing his report with a report of the induction of Iota Triton Chapter at the University of Connecticut, and Brother Franklin C. Palm enlarging upon his report with respect to the details of the merger of Omega Chapter with Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Phi Sigma at the University of California, as well as the induction of Kappa Triton Chapter at Fresno State College. Brother D. R. Collins, followed his report with a description of the induction of Theta Triton Chapter at the University of Texas. A major portion of the time, however, was spent on the following ten subjects:

## By-Laws

The Council carefully reviewed the By-laws and for the most part re-established the By-laws existing prior to the war emergency. In order that the same may be had under one cover, the Council has ordered a new printing and distribution of the By-laws to the chapters.

## Ritual

National President Herbert L. Brown most ably presented his careful preparation of the ritual. The ritual of Brother Brown's draft preserves all of the symbolism of the fraternity, but more dramatically and more instructively than the ritual presently used. He has worked four years to bring it to its present state of perfection. By vote of the Council, he has been requested to further perfect

the ritual and make arrangements for its exemplification at the 1948 Convention.

## Expansion

Field Secretary, Walter F. Ackerman, presented a very detailed report of his year of ground work in the Expansion Program of our fraternity. Sixty-five colleges and universities were carefully reviewed and the Council prepared a preferred list of thirty-seven institutions. Ways and means of establishing chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa at these institutions were also carefully considered. Brother Walter F. Ackerman was continued in the employment of the fraternity for another year and primarily charged with the responsibility of executing the Expansion Program under the direction of the Expansion Committee and the national headquarters.

## Convention

The Council voted to hold the 75th (Diamond Jubilee) Anniversary Convention at the Somerset Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts, August 11-14, 1948. The Council authorized the Convention Committee consisting of Donald G. Downing (Chairman), Ralph J. Watts, W. Carl Bartow, Donald E. Smith, Milford W. Atwood and Earl F. Schoening, to continue its work on the Convention plans which at this time tentatively provide business sessions, Chapter Adviser's School, Chapter Officer's School, a dinner dance, banquet and an all day scenic and historical bus trip to Amherst where the fraternity will hold a ceremony in recognition of its 75th Anniversary birthday and out of respect to the memory of its *Gold Star Members*. The Council also authorized a Moonlight Girl Contest, the winner to be the guest of the national fraternity at the Convention, where during the dinner dance she will be crowned the Moonlight Girl of Phi Sigma Kappa.



#### THE COUNCIL AND SECRETARIES

Back row, left to right: Harold L. Flodin, Alumni Secretary for the West; D. R. Collins, Regional Director for Region IV; Donald G. Downing, Regional Director for Region I; Haven Falconer, Director-at-Large; W. Barrett Fuchs, Regional Director for Region III; Frederick Griswold, Jr., Regional Director for Region II; Walter F. Ackerman, Field Secretary.

Front row (sitting), left to right: Earl F. Schoening, Secretary-Treasurer and Editor; Franklin C. Palm, Regional Director for Region V; Herbert L. Brown, President; Bruce C. Bean, Regional Director for Region VI; Ralph J. Watts, Director-at-Large.

The committee is striving to make striking and significant favors available to the brothers and their Convention guests.

### **Foundation**

Brother Brown read the Articles of Incorporation and the proposed By-laws of the Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation prepared by the Foundation Committee consisting of Leighton P. Stradley, William A. McIntyre and William E. Zimmerman. The drafts were approved by the Council and it is hoped that the committee will, before the expiration of this calendar year, have the organization perfected and qualified by the Department of Internal Revenue as an educational corporation to which gifts deductible on Income Tax returns may be made.

### **Investment of Paid-up Life Memberships**

The Council approved the investments made by the Budget Committee of the funds paid to date to the Paid-Up Life Membership Fund. The extent to which the Paid-Up Life Membership Fund should be invested in chapter house mortgages and equities was discussed and the matter left to the discretion of the Budget Committee. The Council approved the design for a beautiful Paid-Up Life Membership card to be printed with magenta ink on silver stock and encased in a transparent permanent sealer. As soon as there cards can be obtained, they will be distributed to Paid-Up Life Members.

### **Scholarships**

The Council, at all times conscious of the necessity of the brothers of our fraternity living the Cardinal Principles, one of which is the stimulation of scholarship, authorized the President of the Grand Chapter to appoint a representative to represent our fraternity in the newly created Scholarship Association of the National Interfraternity Conference and voted that the Grand Chapter award annually, an achievement key to each chapter which obtains an average grade of "C" or better. The key so awarded to be

presented by the chapter to that brother who in the opinion of the chapter best exemplifies the Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa.

### **Alumni Reactivation**

The Council has been particularly impressed with the activity of the Phi Sigma Kappa Alumni Club of Akron and encouraged by the reactivation of many of its clubs which were quite active prior to the war. To increase all such reactivations, the Council instructed its Alumni Secretaries to collate and put into usable form as an organization pattern, the plan created by the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Akron and to distribute that plan to all groups which are the nucleus of formerly active alumni clubs and to other groups of Phi Sig Alumni seeking to establish new Phi Sigma Kappa Alumni Clubs.

### **Chapter Advisers**

The first printed copies of the Chapter Adviser's Manual prepared by Brothers Brown and Ackerman were previewed by the Council at its meeting. Copies were subsequently sent to each of the Chapter Advisers. The Council ratified the many changes in Chapter Advisers made by the Grand President during the year in carrying out his policy that no brother should be appointed a Chapter Adviser who couldn't afford to give the time required to do commendable work. The Council feels that since it is the only national fraternity that pays the Convention round trip travel expense of its Advisers that it can expect the Advisers "to be on the job."

### **Chapter Inspections**

National President Brown stressed the importance of the Regional Directors inspecting each of the chapters in their respective districts at least once a year. To supplement this service, the Council employed William N. Zimmerman, Rho Deuteron '47, to make routine inspections of as many of our chapters during the current academic year as he could

possibly make, doing each inspection with the thoroughness required in each case regardless of the time consumed.

In addition, the Council authorized the printing of the eighth edition of the "Outline For Pledge Education." It also continued its practice of ordering copies of Banta's Greek Exchange and The Fraternity Month to be sent to each of the chapters with the compliments of the Council.

The Council saddened by the death of Past President, John H. Marchmont, passed a resolution to his memory. His chair at the Council Meeting was empty; the first time in seventeen years.

Relief in the hard working program of the Council was afforded through the generosity of Brother Bruce C. Bean, Regional Director for Region VI; he had a thirty pound King Salmon sent to the Edgewater Beach Hotel from Seattle for a special dinner served the Council in the Berwyn Room. In commenting on this dinner, the Edgewater Beach Hotel in its magazine of August 22 to 30th, 1947, stated, "A 30-pound King Salmon, stuffed and baked Chef Special was served to Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity board members at their seventh consecutive annual meeting at EBH recently. Who else but a promoter of the great northwest would have thought of that? So we weren't surprised to hear that it was Bruce C. Bean, Phi Sigma Kappa's Regional Director for Washington, Montana, Idaho and Oregon who thoughtfully presented his fraternity brothers with the anadromous fish. If it sounds too fantastic to have us say that Mr. Bean also caught the salmon, remember that this is a fish story, and the organization's Secretary-Treasurer, Earl F. Schoening (Chicago) says that a "reel" yarn is seldom questioned . . . or words to that effect.

In commenting further about the Phi Sigma Kappa Meeting, the Edgewater Beach publication stated, "Ask W. Bar-

rett Fuchs of Washington, D. C., how he spends the Saturday evening during the fraternity's Council meeting each year. He invariably (for the past seven years anyway) will say, 'At the Chicago Tribune's Music Festival, of course'. . . . National president Herbert L. Brown of Philadelphia, after visiting the fraternity's national headquarters in Chicago, warned Earl Schoening not to allow Dorothy Hild to see his secretarial staff lest, perhaps, she might try to dissuade them from office work in favor of becoming showgirls in her line of dancing lovelies on the Beach Walk."

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#### FRISMUTH HEADS SUPPLEE MILK CO.

Clifford E. Frishmuth, Mu '22, has been named president of the Supplee-Wills-Jones Milk Co.

His election was announced recently by the board of directors of the Supplee company and he assumed his new duties May 1. Supplee will continue to serve on the board of directors.

Brother Frishmuth has been with the Supplee company for 25 years, joining the firm when he was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1922.

He was employed first in the sales division of the ice cream department and in 1928 became sales manager of that department. Ten years later he was made general manager. He became director of sales for the entire organization in 1939 and in 1941 was elected vice-president. He was named executive vice-president in 1944.

Frishmuth is a member of the board of directors of the Milk Distributors Association of Philadelphia and the Dairy Council. He also is a member of the management committee of the Industrial Council of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce and Board of Trade. During the war he served as industry member of the Regional War Labor Board.

# Program of Services

At its meeting held in Chicago, August, 1945, the Council adopted a Program of Services which it is the privilege of The SIGNET to reprint in this issue as part of this article. In introducing the program, the Council had the following to say:

"Seldom, if ever, in its seventy-two year history has Phi Sigma Kappa been challenged as it has been today. Ahead lies an opportunity for the fulfillment of an expanded program of service under strong, courageous and uncompromising leadership.

"Phi Sigma Kappa accepts the challenge. It is committed to a comprehensive program of expanded service and has enacted legislation which will ultimately furnish the funds for the fulfillment of its program.

"The Council feels that the members of the Fraternity, who will supply the income to achieve this program, have a right to know just how these funds will be expended. It, therefore, presents here an outline showing just where their national dollars have been going and where it is proposed to invest the increased income that will result when all chapters are again functioning and the Fraternity is again operating on a full peace-time basis. This program lists the present services rendered by the national fraternity which will be greatly expanded and new projects which will be undertaken as speedily as conditions permit."

The Council is justly proud in recounting that during the two years that has



Field Secretary, Walter F. Ackerman, discusses Expansion Program with Secretary-Treasurer, Earl F. Schoening, at national headquarters.

elapsed since the inauguration of this program that it has either in total or in substantial part accomplished thirteen of the fifteen new projects listed under "B" of the Program of Services. Only points 14 and 15 have not been explored or developed in a national way though a number of chapter groups have and are carrying them on. In addition, the Council has provided a deputy system under which the points attempted to be accomplished under State Commissioners can be more effectively done. Too frequently, it was the experience of the Council that State Commissioners were merely names on stationery and that was true because their assignments were general. The Council learned that it accomplished more by assigning a task, which was to be accomplished in a selected area, to a given brother or committee of brothers and that such brother or brothers be deputized for the purpose.

In commenting on the accomplishments of the Council in the development of this program, it has been said that no other national fraternity offers so much to its members for so little.

The Program of Services evolved in 1945 is as follows:

## A. PRESENT SERVICES

### I—National Headquarters

- 1 Coordinates activities of all chapters
- 2 Maintains records of the Fraternity
- 3 Keeps up-to-date address files of members



Miss Marion Meili (left), Stenographer and Clerk in charge of chapter financial reports and Miss Violet Madden, Secretary and Editorial Assistant to Earl F. Schoening, Editor of *The SIGNET*.

- 4 Conducts financial business of the Fraternity
- 5 Keeps close check on the financial records of each chapter
- 6 Supplies badges, certificates of membership, literature, forms, rituals and paraphernalia
- 7 Conducts publicity campaign for the Fraternity
- 8 Is a clearing house for all inquiries for advice from chapters
- 9 Publishes song book and fraternity song records
- 10 Publishes National Directory
- 11 Furnishes motion picture film of the Fraternity
- 12 Prepares and publishes Pledge Manual
- 13 Records running history of the Fraternity
- 14 Maintains active charter membership in National Interfraternity Conference
- 15 Assists in chapter management
- 16 Follows up work of Chapter Advisers
- 17 Furnishes Banta's Greek Exchange and Fraternity Month to all chapters
- 18 Provides chapter visitations by national officers
- 19 Provides deputy service to help weak chapters.



Miss Shirley Salata (left), Stenographer and Clerk in charge of membership certificates; Miss Helen Mamula (center), Secretary to Earl F. Schoening, Secretary-Treasurer, national headquarters Bookkeeper and Office Manager; and Miss Kathleen Dietrich, Stenographer and Clerk in charge of address changes.

- 20 Provides Resident Counsellors where required
- 21 Exchanges THE SIGNET with all other fraternity publications
- 22 Furnishes speakers for special occasions
- 23 Arranges conclaves and conventions\*
- 24 Publishes a rushing manual—"How to Sell Phi Sigma Kappa"
- 25 Publishes a rushing folder and other rushing material

\* The only fraternity that has ever paid travelling expenses of Chapter Advisers to conventions.

(Present Secretary-Treasurer is now Secretary of the College Fraternity Secretaries Association).

## II—The Signet

- 1 Published four times a year (considered one of the best fraternity magazines)
- 2 Furnished without charge to all undergraduates in the chapter
- 3 Mailed without charge to all members of the armed forces
- 4 Mailed to alumni paying their alumni dues
- 5 Most effective contact with alumni

(Present Editor is President of the College Fraternity Editors Association).

## III—Regional Directors

- 1 Are members of the Board of Directors of the Fraternity which meets at least annually to assist in formulating fraternity policies
- 2 Visit chapters; advise and counsel on proper operation, house management, finances, scholarship and secret work
- 3 Build up alumni contacts
- 4 Promote alumni clubs
- 5 Select and supervise Chapter Advisers
- 6 Arrange and conduct regional conclaves
- 7 Report on chapters in the region to the National Headquarters and at Council Meetings
- 8 Maintain active contact with college authorities

## IV—Chapter Advisers

- 1 Are the liaison officers between the chapters and the National Headquarters
- 2 Advise chapters on all matters pertaining to chapter operation and conduct
- 3 Act as a member of the Chapter Budget Committee
- 4 Act as a point of contact between the chapter and college administration



**V—State Commissioners**

- 1 Are on the alert for opportunities for new chapters in their respective states
- 2 Stimulate endowment donations by alumni
- 3 Organize alumni clubs
- 4 Solicit material for The SIGNET
- 5 Encourage alumni interest

**VI—Endowment Fund**

- 1 Being developed and expanded for the purpose of providing income to be used for the advancement of the Fraternity

**B. NEW PROJECTS**

- 1 Retain Secretary-Treasurer on full time basis
- 2 Employ a Travelling Secretary
- 3 Employ such deputies as may be necessary to cover adequately the expanded needs of the Fraternity
- 4 Grant scholarships to chapters
- 5 Extend the Resident Counsellor Plan
- 6 Expand the Fraternity
- 7 Creation of a publicity program by various types of competition that tie in with the aims and purposes of the Fraternity by
  - (a) awards for scholarship or activity attainment among chapters
  - (b) awards for outstanding alumnus of the year
  - (c) awards to the best chapter of the year
  - (d) continuation of the Liberty Belle idea
- 8 Publish Chapter Advisers Manual
- 9 Establish a training school for officers and advisers
- 10 Expand the scope of influence of The SIGNET by making it available to every alumnus for life
- 11 Explore ways and means whereby contacts between chapters and their respective colleges and universities may be strengthened
  - (a) Appointment of an Educational Director
- 12 Further activate and develop alumni clubs
- 13 Provide financial assistance for needy and worthy chapter projects
- 14 Establish a bureau which will enable members to make contacts with outstanding Phi Sigs and others in their quest for positions
- 15 Explore avenues of social welfare and civic service as a fraternity and encourage each chapter to take on one or more such projects

# College Fraternity Secretaries' Association Meets at Sea View Country Club

The summer meeting of the College Fraternity Secretaries' Association was held at the Sea View Country Club, Absecon, New Jersey, on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 5 and 6, 1947, pursuant to the recommendation of the association made at its November meeting in New York and to the call of the Chairman.

The first session was called to order by Chairman Earl F. Schoening at 9:50 a.m., Tuesday, August 5, 1947. Because of the absence of Secretary Harold P. Davidson, J. Russell Easton was asked to act as Secretary.

The Chairman announced that the business of the meetings would follow the agenda which had been mailed to the Secretaries in advance of the meeting; that the subjects thereon had been suggested by various members; and that the different subjects would be opened by those who had suggested them.

The remainder of the first session was devoted to the subject "The Chapter." The thought was expressed that the present size of chapters of most fraternities was extremely alarming because they assumed the aspect of a club rather than the closely knit association of the normal fraternity chapter and that serious damage may come if they are to remain so large. However, the consensus of those present was that the abnormal size was the result of the war conditions and that little, if anything, could be done about it except to watch the situation closely through field secretaries and national officers with a reduction to more normal numbers when such a reduction could be judiciously made. It was the general feeling that control of these unusually large chapters had to come through proper leadership within the chapter.

At this point Lauren Foreman told of

Sigma Alpha Epsilon's Leadership Training School and stated that in almost every case it was the leaders of the chapters who attended the school.

Pledge training was discussed and no dissension was expressed at the importance of this feature of chapter activities. There was a general agreement that the pledge training period should be a period of probation during which the pledge-ship could be broken by either the individual or the chapter if the pledge failed to prove that he would fit into the chapter picture or if the chapter did not come up to the expectation of the pledge.

Excessive use of alcohol and gambling in the chapter houses came in for the usual consideration. It was realized by most that little, if anything, could be done about drinking in the fraternity house although excessive use of alcohol was deplored. The statement that the fraternity is the reflection of social and home life and that members of fraternities usually reflect the practices of their elders seemed to cover the question quite well. Reports indicated that there was not much gambling in the houses, but there was an increase in dishonesty in some places. The general opinion appeared to be that complete control of the use of liquor was quite unlikely; however, one of the better suggestions for some control was to seek regulations by all fraternities on a given campus.

The consensus among the secretaries present seemed to be that there was little, if any, cleavage in chapters between the returned G.I.'s and the teen-agers; that, generally speaking, there was a congenial attitude between these two groups. There is, however, the tendency on the part of the returned veterans — particularly the married ones — to remain aloof from al-

most all outside activities. Failure on the part of the veteran members to maintain an active interest in the affairs of the chapter is regrettable, but, as was expressed, it is through those members that there appears to be a splendid opportunity to do away with any bad pre-initiation practices. Generally speaking, they are opposed to the "hell week" idea. From the discussion on this subject, it was quite clear that more and more fraternities are legislating against all such practices. Constructive programs of several different types were suggested to take the place of the old "hell week."

The discussion of chapter visitation brought out the fact that a greater number of fraternities are using traveling secretaries as their most important method of chapter contact. The number of trav-

eling secretaries varies with the different fraternities, but it was generally agreed that this form of contact was the best. During this discussion Norman Hackett explained Theta Delta Chi's Record of Visitation which appears to be the most exhaustive visitation report of any.

The meeting recessed at 12:35 p.m. and reconvened at 8:45 p.m., when it was called to order by Chairman Schoening who welcomed Mr. David A. Embury, NIC Chairman.

The meeting was opened with a discussion on the question of subversive groups which are becoming more prevalent on campuses. It was the expressed opinion that the fraternities are the best institutions to fight these disturbing elements through warnings in their publications to chapters and members. It was



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recommended that all fraternity workers and especially traveling secretaries follow the practice of warning their members to be on the alert when asked to join groups that might be communistic in nature. The revival of TNE on some campuses was discussed and all secretaries were urged to remind their chapters of the harm that is done to the fraternity system by such an organization and to call attention to any law there may be against them.

Under the subject of Expansion it was suggested that the internationalization of the fraternity system could be a splendid means for better relations between nations. The recommendation of NIC that the establishment of chapters of existing national fraternities on campuses needing additional fraternities, rather than the founding of new fraternities, was the better practice was unanimously concurred in. Different methods of colonizing were explained, and it was agreed that whatever method used, if any, was a matter for the individual fraternity to decide. In discussing the question of controlled expansion by college authorities, the question was asked "What can be done about it?"

The meeting recessed at 10:58 p.m.

At the Wednesday morning session the Chairman appointed the two following committees, the first of which committees would make its report to the Secretaries meeting at the NIC in November.

#### Nominating Committee

H. Seger Slifer  
Cecil J. Wilkinson  
Lauren Foreman

#### Resolutions Committee

Stewart D. Daniels  
Norman Hackett  
Malcolm C. Sewell

In discussing the topic of the National Fraternity, there was a general agreement that the location of the headquarters must depend upon whether the fraternity wanted to stay where it was founded

because of sentimental reasons or go to a more centrally located site and whether it was more advisable to locate in a large city, where better transportation would permit a greater number of visits from members and where the employment problems might be more easily taken care of, or in a smaller city — probably a college town — where rents, salary, etc., are lower, but the accessibility is decreased.

Although there appeared to be a diversity of ideas as to the type of advisers for chapters, how they should be chosen, and what their duties should be, there was general agreement that the person chosen should have a real interest in the fraternity and in young men, with the ability to be of service to them and the fraternity chapter.

The question of how to meet the rising cost of operations received considerable attention. It was suggested that one of the better methods would be to have a basic active chapter dues set-up sufficient for normal times but with the right to increase or decrease them when the need arose without the necessity of first obtaining approval of the chapters. It was suggested also that if pledge dues are not already being collected, this source of additional income might well be considered. The system of lump-sum dues reduces the operating cost of collecting dues but might cause a hardship on the individual, especially where the local initiation fee is high. Twelve fraternities reported using the lump-sum system with a maximum single payment of \$58.50 and minimum of \$25. The subject of jewelry royalties was touched on briefly, and it was found that all but three of the fraternities represented had some form of royalty contract.

At this point Chairman Schoening asked Mr. Cyril Flad of Lambda Chi Alpha to tell a little of that fraternity's plan for the installation of labor-saving equipment in their headquarter's office. Mr. Flad gave a very splendid disclosure

on the subject, prefacing his remarks with the statement that because of the high cost of labor, it is necessary to institute labor-saving equipment if more service is to be given the active chapters, and that was particularly true where the chapter roll was increasing in number. At the close of this discussion, during which several types of equipment and their uses were explained, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to have a joint committee to collect and collate information relative to the use of labor-saving devices and office procedures, with a report to be made at the annual meeting in November. The Chairman appointed Stewart D. Daniels and Cyril F. Flad members of this committee.

The meeting recessed at 12:45 p.m.

The final session of the College Fraternity Secretaries' Association was called to order at 2:15 p.m. with Mr. David A. Embury, NIC Chairman, being asked particularly to join in the discussion.

It was the consensus of those entering into the discussion that public relations is, at the outset, a matter of good taste and that personalities, when publicized, are not good taste and do not, therefore, make for good public relations. It was suggested that the fraternities, through their chapters, should sponsor worth-while projects such as civic projects and programs that benefit the underprivileged rather than those that are primarily of a selfish nature, because such worthy programs usually are quite well received by the newspapers and other periodicals. Mr. Embury told of an investigation made by NIC among magazines to ascertain whether there was any inclination to publish articles favorable to fraternities. The magazines contacted indicated that they would not favor publishing articles favorable to fraternities because that would not sell their magazines.

Mr. Embury and Mr. William J. Barnes, Treasurer of NIC, who previously had been introduced, were asked to lead

the discussion on The National Interfraternity Conference, during which it was pointed out that among other things they were trying to familiarize the undergraduates with the activities of the Conference by a planned program for the undergraduate meetings in conjunction with the Annual Conference. In these meetings there was to be no "preaching" to the undergraduates, but the opportunity was to be given them to tell the NIC what it can do for them. A discussion on the value of the Year Book when it comes out so late brought up the question of whether it is read by the undergraduates. The suggestion was made that George Starr Lasher's resumé might well be the thing to send the chapters rather than the Year Book.

The Association again went on record as being in favor of holding the annual meetings of the NIC in different cities by the adoption of a motion to that effect.

Upon the suggestion that the Secretaries be told something of the history, functions, and plans of the Interfraternity Research and Advisory Council, Mr. Embury made the following explanation: There seemed to be a need for an organization which could do certain work—primarily public relations—for all fraternal groups. The I.R.A.C. was organized for that purpose and is made up of two delegates each from the National Interfraternity Conference, the National Panhellenic Conference, the Professional Interfraternity Conference, the Professional Panhellenic Association, the Association of Education Sororities, the Association of College Honor Societies, and the National Association of Deans and Advisers of Men. Its function is to make recommendations to all fraternal groups but to act in a purely advisory capacity. Mr. Embury further explained that the NIC will continue its own public relations program and that the I.R.A.C.'s publicity work will be of a general nature.

The Resolutions Committee reported

that messages had been sent to Secretary Wilbur M. Walden of Alpha Chi Rho and Director Luther Z. Rosser of Chi Phi, both of whom were absent because of recent illnesses. The Committee offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted: Be it resolved that the members of the College Fraternity Secretaries' Association here assembled express by a rising vote their sincere gratitude to (1) National Interfraternity Conference's Chairman David A. Embury and Treasurer William J. Barnes for taking time out of a busy schedule to come to Seaview and participate with us in this meeting, (2) our Association Chairman, Earl F. Schoening, and any other officers who have cooperated in perfecting the plans and arrangements for this meeting which have contributed so much to its success, and (3) Mr. Connelly, Manager of the Seaview Country Club and his staff for making our stay so pleasant.

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### ENTOMOLOGY EXPERT WITH ARMY'S FAR EAST COMMAND

Brother Austin W. Morrill, Jr., Omega '29, Entomologist with the Corps of Engineers, who is in charge of insect and rodent control for the Army in the Philippines-Ryukyus Command, has for the past few months been engaged in establishing and supervising that small, though important, portion of the permanent base program in the Far East Command.

Brother Morrill was transferred to Manila in August, 1946, from Atlanta, Georgia, where he had headed the work for the Fourth Service Command Headquarters since 1943, receiving the Army's Civilian Commendation Ribbon. In conjunction with the Entomologist of the Army Medical Department, it was his job to train officers, civilian and enlisted men in the use of fumigants, poisons and insecticides, such as the well-publicized DDT; to supervise the planning and exe-

cution of mosquito control projects; to allot the funds used by the Corps of Engineers in accomplishing this work; and to coordinate the work within the Army and with governmental agencies of the States and Federal Government in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Tennessee. His job took him to all of the more than 120 installations in this Command on frequent visits and enabled him to meet a number of Phi Sigs who were also engaged in keeping the Army sanitary, well-housed, healthy, and with good morale. Among those were Harold F. Shartle, Pi '16, Post Engineer at Huntsville Alabama Arsenal, (see SIGNET, Oct., 1946) and Captain James L. Neville, Iota Deuteron '30, Sanitary Corps Engineer at Venice A. A. F., Florida.

In connection with his present duties Brother Morrill has been "on the wing" for several months assisting General Headquarters in setting up insect and rodent control programs in its many scattered Commands in the Philippines, Korea, Japan, the Mariannas and the Bonins. Austin, Jr., is a son of Austin W. Morrill, Alpha '00 (Ph.D. 1903), a retired Entomologist now of 460 W. Longden Ave., Arcadia, California.

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### THOMAS QUIT'S TRAFFIC POST

Mr. Theodore E. Mueller, President of the American Radiator and Standard Corporation, recently announced the retirement effective September 30 of Brother Benjamin S. Thomas, Delta '00, as General Traffic Manager of the company.

Brother Thomas has been associated with the American Radiator Corporation for the passed 47 years. Appointed General Traffic Manager in 1920, he started as a lumber inspector and held no fewer than 26 jobs. Brother Thomas has been active in local and national traffic organizations.

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# Sails in Internationals

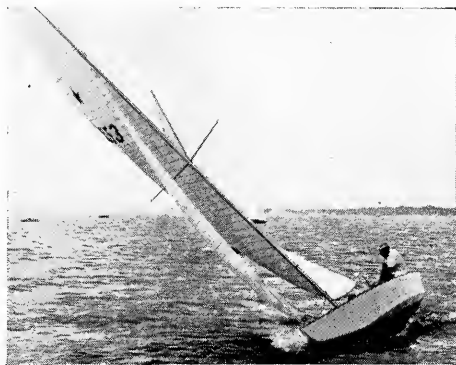
Brother Nicholas W. Marchuk, Alpha Deuteron '39, who is a lawyer by profession in Peoria, Illinois, has satisfied one of the secret ambitions of his life with a new avocation. Early last spring, Brother Nick began thinking about how hot it gets in Peoria during the summer. Besides it isn't much fun practicing law when the weather is so hot. As an up-shot of all this, Nick purchased the "Tomahawk", a 23-foot International Star Class boat carrying 265 square feet of canvas. Thus it was that during those long, hot days of the past summer "a lawyer took to the waves."

In a recent letter which your Editor received telling of the "Tomahawk's" exploits, Brother Marchuk wrote as follows: "This was my first season in Star Class racing and considering that I was new at the game, I am not disappointed in not 'bringing home the bacon' against competitors who have been racing ten to twenty years.

"In our home standings, out of a fleet of ten boats, I placed second, but won the elimination races to represent our Illinois Race Fleet in the World Championship Races (called the Internationals) at Los Angeles. There are a series of five races in the Internationals but we (Mr. Jack Triebel and myself) completed only three of the five races due to breakdown caused by heavy seas and wind, plus a general run of bad luck. The winds each day were over 25 mph, and the races were held 1½ miles out at sea from the San Pedro Naval Base. There were 21 boats entered—one from Brazil, one from Portugal, one from Nassau (ultimate winner), one from Canada, and the rest from the States. In this top competition, one really is out of the series if he doesn't complete all the races. Our spreaders broke on the two races we failed to complete, and luckily we got

the boat into the wind before our mast broke. Next year's Internationals are being held in Portugal."

Brother Marchuk further related, "The 'Tomahawk' was raced in Milwaukee where it placed fourth in the Green Star



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Series. In the last race we were leading and had the series in the bag when the wind died out. After the wind freshened, the other boats caught the breeze before we did and as a result we placed sixth in the last race, thereby giving us a fourth place for the series.

"In the races the following week in Milwaukee we placed 12th out of 22 boats in the McNulty Series in which we only completed two races out of three. Had we completed the third race we would have placed higher or at least in the money. In the Fourth of July Series in Peoria we placed fourth out of 16 boats, competing against boats from Milwaukee and Springfield."

In closing his letter Brother Nick stated, "That's the record of the 'Tomahawk' which has been out in Los Angeles twice since June and twice in Milwaukee, covering more distance (about 8,000 miles) on overland travel than in the water. Next year with luck and minor defects out, we will do a lot better."

# Nordholm Named Commodore of George Washington Sailing Association

Eric Nordholm, Lambda '49, has just been renamed Commodore of the George Washington Sailing Association. Returning after a victorious summer season in which he took the Long Island Sound Championships, and placed Fourth in the Comet Class International Championships with his Comet "Frenzy," he

While he says that experiences on the water never make good reading unless they are exaggerated, he remembers several unexpected squalls which left him with a profound respect for the elements. "You can't always figure them."

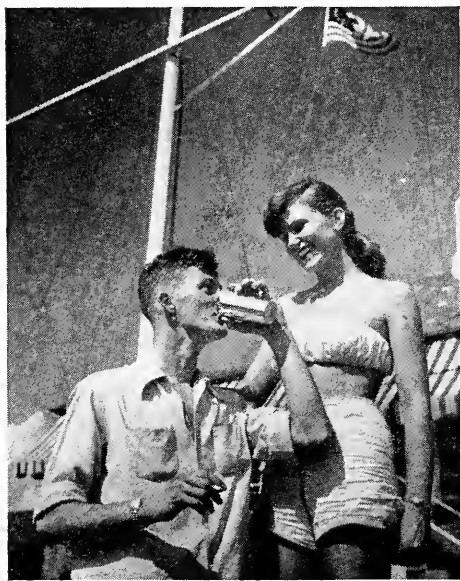
The George Washington Team Captain entered active competition when he was twelve, sailing a homemade Penguin Dinghy. Although the first few years were tough going for the youngster, racing in bigtime competition, after a couple of years he beat the National Penguin Champion in a race. "After that," he says, "it was easy. I think that winning races is largely a matter of confidence anyway. There is nothing harder to beat than one's own feeling of inferiority when you get out there with a lot of hot-shots."

After taking three firsts in the Penguin National Championship Elimination, Nordholm twisted his knee out of joint and sailing so handicapped he managed only a fourth in the Championships.

He purchased the "Frenzy" last year and, after a season of tuning it up for the bigtime competition, hauled it up to New Rochelle and copped the Long Island Sound Championships. On the week-end following this series, he traveled with the George Washington sailing team to Boston and the Inter-Collegiate Summer Championships and placed a close second to the Harvard Team.

After taking the Gatina Bowl at Oxford Race Week, Eric took first place at the West River Sailing Club Regatta and crewed for his sister as she took the Woman's Championships.

Carrying his boat on a trailer behind his crew's car, he drove to Ithaca, New York, and the International Championships. After taking first in the opening



Brother Nordholm drinking from the cup presented to him for first place in the Comet Class at the President's Regatta. Sister Daphine looks on happily.

is taking up the lead of the sailing program which he initiated at George Washington last year.

Eric says that he began sailing in a rowboat with a large clean sheet fastened on to a rather dirty oar on Long Island Sound when he was four years old. Moving to the Chesapeake Bay region, brought him a converted oysterboat which he says was called "Skipjack." He sailed this boat for many years while his family summered on the Patuxent River.



race, Nordholm lost out to "three fast boats and a tricky wind" by only two points behind the winner and  $\frac{3}{4}$  points behind the man who came in third. Although he plans to enter the University of California in February, he says he will probably try again to get the cup.

Following the lead of many of the northern schools, he has brought a new kind of sport to the universities in this part of the country. Already universities such as Maryland and Georgetown are considering entering into inter-collegiate sailing competition. George Washington University, leader in the program, has just purchased two twelve foot, Phil Rhodes Designed Tempests, for the newly formed team which had an impressive opening season. The University is directing its plans for the sailors toward a University Yacht Club on the Potomac river which will make George Washington a major center of inter-collegiate sailing in the future.

Eric is an Economics Major and in his third year at G. W. U. He plans to go into Labor Relations at the University of California. "I guess that won't leave much time for sailing," he said.

### TEXAS ALUMNI CLUB CHARTERED

The Grand Chapter takes pleasure in announcing the chartering of the San Jacinto Club of Texas Phi Sigma Kappa on August 26th, of this year.

Following the induction of Theta Triton Chapter at the University of Texas in May, Brothers Ed Howell, Alpha Deuteron '27, and Art Manson, Omicron '34, both of Houston, Texas, decided it was high time there was a Texas Alumni Club. Accordingly, these two brothers became a sort of self-appointed organization committee of two. All Phi Sig alumni living in Houston and surrounding cities were contacted and on July 21st a preliminary meeting of the new club

was held at the College Inn, Houston, Texas. As a result of this meeting, a petition for a charter was prepared and subsequently forwarded to the Council of the Grand Chapter for action.

The first regular meeting of the San Jacinto Club was again held at the College Inn on September 8th. During the interim between meetings, Brother Howell personally contacted many of the Phi Sig alumni living in the southern part of Texas. While in Chicago on business, Brother Howell conferred with Field Secretary Ackerman at the national headquarters on matters concerning the new club.

In view of all his fine "missionary" work in organizing the San Jacinto Alumni Club, the membership honored Brother Howell by electing him President at their first regular meeting on September 8th. Other club officers include Arthur J. Manson, Omicron '34, Vice-President; Argil C. Czigan, Delta '33, Secretary; and Jerome J. Harshaw, Iota Deuteron '36, Treasurer.

Although the San Jacinto Club will meet regularly at 7 P. M. on the second Monday of each month at the College Inn in Houston, President Howell has emphasized that club membership is open to any Phi Sig alumnus living in the state of Texas. Further details can be secured by writing either Brother Howell or the club secretary, Brother Argil C. Czigan.

On the week-end of October 25th., a club delegation will journey to Austin to see the Texas-Rice football game and pay a visit to Theta Triton's new chapter house.

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# Doyle Elected Chief Justice of Ohio Court of Appeals

Judge Arthur W. Doyle, Gamma '15, serving on the bench of the Ninth District Appellate Court, Akron, was elected Chief Justice of the Ohio Court of Appeals on September 16, 1947.

The honor came at a meeting of the



ARTHUR W. DOYLE

27 judges of the state's nine appellate districts in the Capitol Building at Columbus. Judge Doyle succeeds Judge John Nichols.

As Chief Justice, Brother Doyle will be the administrative and executive head of the Appellate Court. One of his duties will be to assign judges to hear cases in other appellate districts.

Judge Doyle is recognized by members of the legal profession as one of the strong members of the Appellate Court

in the state. The Ninth District Court, incidentally, since its organization has been considered throughout the state as one of the outstanding courts.

At the Akron Law School Brother Doyle teaches the law of trusts, a subject he has treated in opinions throughout the state. He has contributed to the jurisprudence of the country on all subjects.

Born in Akron, Brother Doyle was graduated from the old Akron High School. He graduated from Cornell University in 1915 with an AB degree and received his law degree from Western Reserve University in 1917. The Judge graduated from law school right into World War I, going from the campus directly into the Army. He served with the field artillery in France and later with the Army of Occupation in Germany. Doyle was with the famous 37th Ohio Division and the Fourth Division of the regular army.

Returning to Akron after the war, he went into private law practice. From 1921 to 1925 Brother Doyle served as County Prosecutor. In 1929 he began his first term on the Common Pleas Court bench. Following his election to the Appellate Court in 1936, he resigned as Common Pleas judge. Judge Doyle has served as an appellate court judge since February, 1937.

Active in the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Brother Doyle was one of the organizers of the Office of Civilian Defense in Akron during World War II. He also was chairman and one of the organizers of the veterans information and referral center. He is a trustee of the Fifty Year Club.

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# Massachusetts State College Becomes University of Massachusetts

On May 8, 1947, Massachusetts State College officially became the University of Massachusetts. It was a change long worked for by students, faculty, and alumni of the College.

Brother Michael Donohue, Alpha '47, now attending law school, deserves recognition as contributing much to this achievement. As Chairman of the "University of Massachusetts" Committee, "Mike" not only aroused student support at the College but he worked in conjunction with Senator Mahar, sponsor

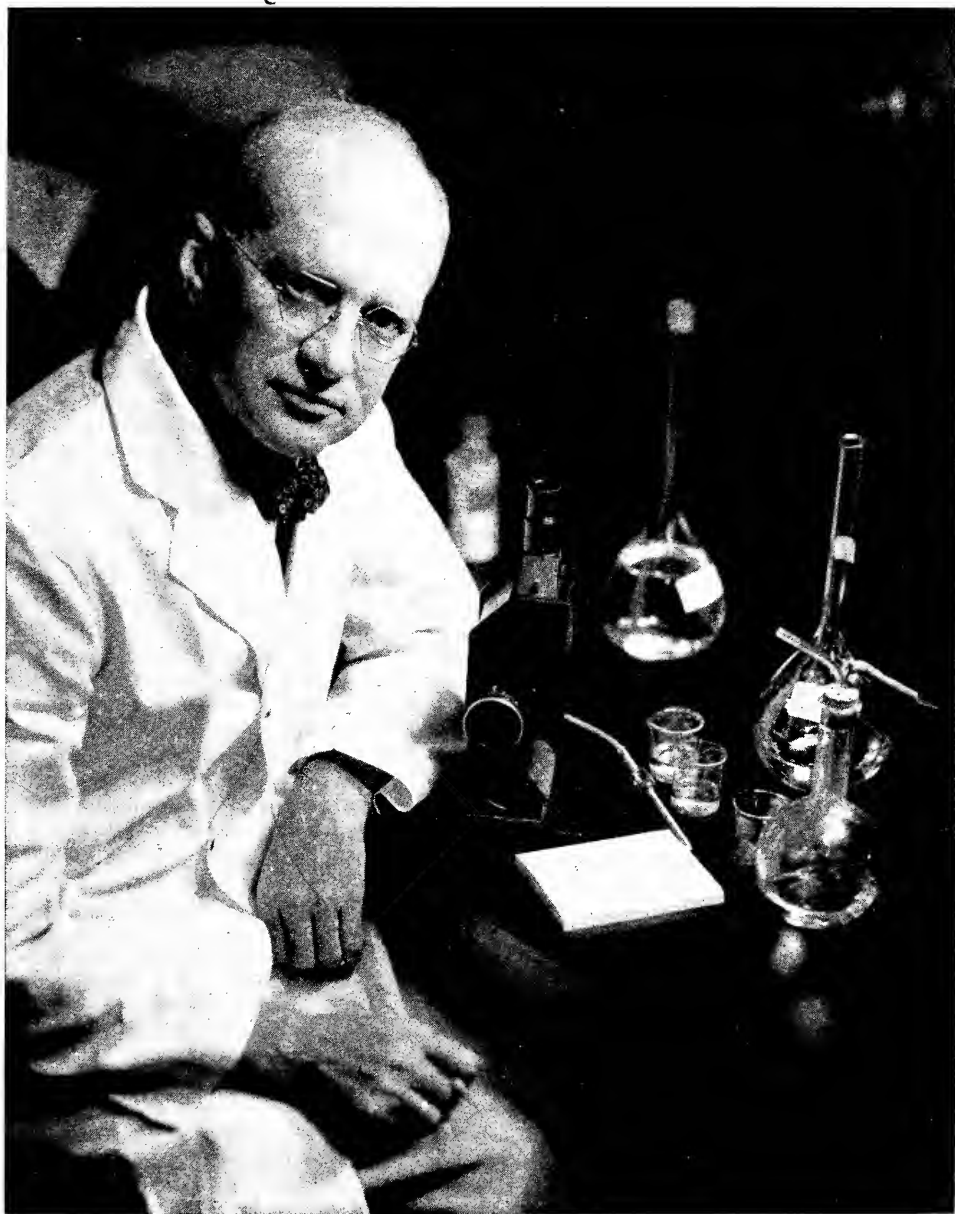
of the bill changing the status from college to that of university.

"Mike" also headed the first annual Legislature Day held May 17th. At that time, Governor Bradford, Lt. Governor Coolidge and several members of the General Court visited the campus. Alpha Chapter was especially honored to have Lt. Governor Coolidge as its guest at the Chapter House.

With an incoming class this fall of 3000, the future enrollment is expected to surpass 5000.



Governor Robert F. Bradford signs the bill changing the name Massachusetts State College to University of Massachusetts. Michael Donohue, Alpha '47, on the left.



HARRY STEENBOCK

# Harry Steenbock Honored By Lawrence College

On June 6th, Lawrence College at a formal ceremony recognizing the one hundredth anniversary of its founding, conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Science on Professor Harry Steenbock, Zeta Deuteron '08.

Brother Steenbock is one of the distinguished members of the faculty of the University of Wisconsin on which he has served for nearly forty years, and as the discoverer of the use of ultra violet light for activating Vitamin "D", is a scientist of international fame.

The citation of President Pusey of Lawrence College in awarding the degree follows:

## THE CITATION

By Nathan M. Pusey, President of  
Lawrence College

Harry Steenbock, science has done much to improve man's condition in this world, but what we are too apt to forget is that science is carried forward by individual men. Among scientists whose work has contributed to the material advancement of Wisconsin and to the strengthening of human life all over the world, your name must always take a high place. You have done much for the dairy industry, you have done more for human health, and in so doing, you have convincingly demonstrated your great concern both for the public interest and for the further promotion of scientific research.

Rarely have the causes of science and of honor been so well served as by yourself. Wherefore we are especially happy today, upon the occasion of the hundredth anniversary of our College which has always had a keen interest both in science and in human welfare, an interest which has been extended through its

association with The Institute of Paper Chemistry, to welcome you into the body of Lawrence alumni. We honor ourselves in honoring you, and I am most happy to confer upon you the degree of Doctor of Science, *honoris causa*, and to admit you to all of its rights, privileges, and obligations.

## ACTING PRESIDENT



JAMES MILHOLLAND

James Milholland, Kappa '11, president of the Board of Trustees of Pennsylvania State College, was named acting president of the college by the executive committee at its meeting October 17th. Brother Milholland will take over the post made vacant by the death of the late President Ralph Dorn Hetzel.

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# New England Conclave

The chapters of Region I met in conclave called by Regional Director Donald G. Downing, Epsilon Deuteron '26, Regional Director for Region I at the Epsilon Deuteron Chapter House, Saturday, October 18, 1947. Present for the opening session called to order by Brother Downing at 2 P. M. were National President Herbert L. Brown, Phi '16, Past National President Don Hamilton, Epsilon Deuteron '11, National Secretary-Treasurer and Editor Earl F. Schoening, Alpha Deuteron '21, and delegates from Alpha, Beta, Omicron, Chi, Epsilon Deuteron, Chapter Adviser Henry Dorsey of Iota Triton and delegates from that chapter. Following reports by the official chapter delegates and Chapter Adviser Dorsey, the Conclave discussed the relations of the chapters with the Grand Chapter, covering such matters as personnel cards, badge orders, quarterly reports, Treasurer reports, SIGNET news, dues, visitations, and the Pledge Manual.

In reporting on progress in the Moonlight Girl Contest, Alpha reported that their contest for selection will begin October 27 and will end in mid-November and the girl that they sponsor will be highly publicized. The reports from the other chapters indicated that in all cases progress was being made, that in some cases the girl would be chosen at house-parties and in other cases as a result of campus activity, either at the college or in the case of colleges which are not co-educational, at some girl's school selected by the chapter.

In discussing the Pledge Manual, it was urged that the Editor publish three Phi Sigma Kappa songs in the next edition.

Then followed an enthusiastic discussion of the national program of the fraternity. The discussion covering plans for the Diamond Jubilee Convention, Expansion, progress made to date on the

Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation, traveling secretaries and a report on chapter assistance.

Brother Schoening exhibited samples of suggested favors for the Convention, some of which met with considerable popular approval. He obtained suggestions for still others. Brother Schoening also detailed the progress of our Expansion Program and Brother Brown told the delegates of the work that had been accomplished to date in the establishment of the Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation.

The delegates of those chapters visited by Field Secretary William Zimmerman acclaimed his fine work.

Brother Schoening briefly reviewed the activity of the endowment trustees and the Budget Committee in connection with applications by chapter Alumni Corporations for Chapter House Loans.

The delegates then discussed the possibility of the establishment of a Conclave Fund to defray the traveling and meeting costs of the delegates and chapter advisers attending the Conclave. In view of the success of such funds in Regions III, IV, V, and VI, the delegates unanimously voted that commencing November 1, 1947 the chapters of Region I pay to the National Secretary-Treasurer in trust for Region I an assessment which is no less than \$3 and no more than \$5 per month per chapter for each month of the calendar year except the months of July and August, the assessment to be paid to be fixed by the Regional Director.

Each chapter reported on the methods which it used in training its officers; this was followed by an exchange of information relative to the problem of house management.

Brother Brown then explained in detail the progress which has been made to

date on the five years work of the Ritual Committee. He also informed the chapters advisers and delegates of the publication of the Chapter Adviser's Manual and urged the chapters to become as familiar with it as was expected of the advisers.

Brother Downing exhibited the "Deac" Dunham Scholarship Trophy given to Region I many years prior to World War II by Brother William F. McCornack, Omicron, explaining that during World War II the trophy had not been awarded

because of the inactivity of some of the chapters, but now that all chapters have been reestablished the cup should be awarded in accordance with whatever program this Conclave decided upon. It was agreed that the trophy be awarded to that chapter whose ratio of scholastic average to the all-fraternity average was highest of all chapters in the region.

The Recommendations Committee consisting of Brother John Rudolph, Omicron '48, Chairman; Chapter Adviser Dorsey, Delta '14; Reg Taylor, Epsilon



#### NEW ENGLAND CONCLAVE

Back row: James Hooper, Omicron; Robert Mac Donald, Omicron; Robert Grott, Omicron; Ed Alling, Iota Triton; W. J. Neverovich, Iota Triton.  
 4th row: Reg Taylor, Epsilon Deuteron; Robert Payne, Iota Triton; William Lucey, Alpha; Bruce Schufelt, Alpha.  
 3rd row: Richard White, Omicron; Ronald Greene, Omicron; William Grant, Omicron; William Merrill, Alpha; Walt Dick, Epsilon Deuteron; Edward Szetela, Alpha.  
 2nd row: Art Bouvier, Epsilon Deuteron; Robert Messimer, Chi; John Rudolf, Omicron; A. S. Crawford, Omicron; Lee Gray, Epsilon Deuteron.  
 Front row: Henry Dorsey, Chapter Adviser, Iota Triton; Don Hamilton, Epsilon Deuteron, Past National President; H. L. Brown, Phi, National President; Earl F. Schoening, National Secretary-Treasurer and Editor; Donald G. Downing, Epsilon Deuteron, Regional Director.

Deuteron '49, and Frederick Budnik, Beta '48 reported as follows:

1. The Regional Director inform the several chapters of the topics upon which they will be expected to report, and that a statement of the problems confronting the region and the national fraternity be included in said advance notice. This notice shall apply in the case of either a Conclave or a Convention.
2. Further, it is believed that the agenda be discussed by the active chapter sending the delegations in order to insure that the delegation will represent the thought of the chapter.
3. In view of the provisions of a Conclave Fund for Region I, it is hereby recommended that the Regional Conclaves be placed in rotation as of this date.
4. It is hereby recommended that the visitations of the regional directors, regional directors-at-large, and traveling secretaries be continued and extended if possible.
5. It is hereby recommended that several fraternity songs be included in the pledge manual.
6. The committee hereby wholeheartedly approves of the proposed Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation and wishes to commend President Brown for his foresight and fine work on this project.

The Resolutions Committee, also appointed by Brother Downing at the opening session of the Conclave and consisting of Brother Edward Szetela, Alpha '48, Chairman, A. S. Crawford, Omicron '48, and Robert Payne, Iota Triton '50, reported as follow:

Be it resolved:

1. That the Region One Conclave express its appreciation and thanks to Epsilon Deuteron Chapter for its hospitality in acting as host to this Conclave.
2. The delegates of this Conclave state

their appreciation to the National officers both past and present for their aid and guidance during the Conclave.

All recommendations and resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Conclave.

Brother Art Bouvier, Epsilon Deuteron '50, was the capable and efficient Secretary of the Conclave.

Due to automobile trouble encountered in their journey to Worcester the delegates from Xi Chapter did not attend the Conclave.

A most delicious supper was served by Epsilon Deuteron Chapter, at which supper the chapter adviser and two delegates of Phi Sigma Local Fraternity of Rhode Island University were guests. The Conclave adjourned its sessions at 10 P. M. Several of the delegates were the overnight guests of Epsilon Deuteron Chapter.

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**John R. Quidd**, Beta Triton '44, is now working for the Firestone Rubber Company in the Traffic Department. He married Miss Mary Wingate, his college sweetheart, on June 1, 1947.

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### ATCHISON BECOMES LIFE MEMBER

The American College of Life Underwriters recently announced that the professional designation of Chartered Life Underwriter (C. L. U.) had been conferred on Brother Arthur L. Atchison, Phi Deuteron '24, on September 9, 1947. Brother Atchison is Special Agent for the New York Life Insurance Company of Lexington, Kentucky. Prior to the war, "Atch" served as Director for Region III; a post he was forced to resign upon entering military service. Following his discharge from the Army in 1945, Brother Atchison resumed his insurance business in Lexington. In March of this year, Grand President Brown appointed him Adviser for Phi Deuteron Chapter.





# Chapter Hymeneal

## GLEASON-EDWARDS

Brother Ted Edwards, Alpha '48, and Miss Noel Gay Gleason were united in marriage on March 22, 1947. The ceremony was performed at the Grace Church in Newton, Massachusetts. A reception was held at the Brae Burne Country Club.

Brother Edwards is the son of Brother Edward Edwards, Alpha '14.

Brothers H. Ballou, A. Irzyk, B. Shufelt and F. Brutcher were ushers at the wedding. Other Alpha men present were: Brother Frank Anderson, Alpha '16, and Brothers J. Baier, M. Niedjela, J. Ring, J. Price, S. Price, H. Mills, W. Lucey, E. Szetela, J. Spencer, M. Donohue, A. Nelson, and A. Fox.

## HERMAN-AMSTADTER

Word has been received here at the National Headquarters that Brother Marvin Amstadter, Beta Triton '48, was married to Miss Beverly Ruth Herman on the afternoon of Sunday, June 1, 1947.

## ASPLUNDH-HERDER

Brother Robert Rex Herder, Pi '40, was married to Miss Bea Asplundh on Saturday, June 7, 1947 at the Swedeborgian Church at Bryn Athyn, Pennsylvania.

Acting as best man at the wedding ceremony was Brother Glenn Smith, Pi '39, of Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania. Ushers for the event included Dick Reinhart, Pi '39, and Russ Buckley, Pi '40.



GLEASON-EDWARDS MARRIAGE PARTY

**OSBOURN-BARGER**

Brother James A. Barger, Delta Deuteron '20, and Lillian B. Osbourn were



MR. AND MRS. JAMES A. BARGER

married on June 13, 1947. The couple were united in marriage at the Christian Church in Bargersville, Indiana.

Brother Barger is a former member of the Council, serving as a Regional Director from 1926 to 1928.

**RIEFKOHL-WADE**

Brother Rudolph W. Riefkohl, Omicron '09, and Mrs. Aimee Preston Wade of Detroit, Michigan were married in a garden wedding at the home of Mrs. Ral Parr in the Green Spring Valley near Baltimore, on June 7, 1947.

Brother Riefkohl was a Colonel in the U. S. Army, retiring in October, 1945 after 34 years of service. He is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, class of 1909, of the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administra-

tion, class of 1933, and of the Army War College, class of 1937.

The bride wore light blue chiffon with her mother's white lace mantilla and comb and carried a prayer book festooned with ribbons and a spray of gardenias and stephanotis. The ceremony, in a military atmosphere, was performed by Colonel Ivan L. Bennett, Chaplain Second Army, with Colonel Don L. Lowry, military aide to President Truman, serving as best man; Mrs. Ral Parr was matron of honor.

**VOSHAGEN-MOORE**

Pledge Michael Moore, Epsilon Triton, and Miss Margaret Voshagen were united in marriage on the 20th of September in Washington, D. C. Brother Moore met his wife while a patient in a German hospital. He had been injured in a plane accident and Miss Voshagen, as a nurses aid, nursed him during his hospitalization. Now Margaret Voshagen, 19, of Munich, Germany is the wife of former Army flier Michael Moore. They were married in St. David's Chapel in Washington, D. C.

**BURNSIDE-HAYES**

Miss Betty J. Burnside and Brother Earl C. Hayes, Pi Deuteron '51, were united in marriage at the Maple Grove Methodist Church in Columbus, Ohio, on Saturday, September 6, 1947. Mrs. Hayes is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John I. Burnside of Columbus. Brother Hayes is a sophomore in the College of Engineering, Ohio State University. Brothers Gordon Bricker, '49, and Warren Sinkhorn, '49, served as ushers.

**SOUPOURAS-COZAN**

Brother Lee Cozan, Epsilon Triton '44, and Miss Helen Soupouras were married in June. The ceremony was read at the St. Sophia Church in Washington, and a lavish reception was held at Washington's Club Madrillon.

**MAYO-FITZGIBBONS**

On June 27, Brother Pat Fitzgibbons, Epsilon Triton '50 was united in marriage to Miss Helen Mayo at the Metropolitan Memorial Church, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Fitzgibbons was a graduate in the class of 1947 at the American University, and is a Delta Gamma.

**HAMILTON-SMITH**

Brother Rupert Smith, Epsilon Triton '50, and Miss Peggy Jane Hamilton were married on August 30. They are now living in Lake City, Florida where "Smitty" is attending the University of Florida.

**METCALF-BRANDHOVER**

On September 13, Ted Brandhover, Epsilon Triton '48, and Miss Donna Metcalf were united in marriage. They were married at the Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

**SCOTT-HELM**

On Friday, June 20, 1947 at 8 P.M., Robert R. Helm, Alpha Deuteron '40, and Mary L. Scott were united in marriage at the First Presbyterian Church, Seattle, Washington.

The bride wore white satin. Her three attendants, two sisters and a niece, also were dressed in white and all carried white flowers. Douglas W. Helm, the groom's brother, was one of the ushers. There was a reception following at the church parlors.

Miss Scott, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Scott, of Hay, Washington is a graduate of the University of Washington and has done post graduate work at the University of California. She is teaching corrective speech in Seattle.

Brother Helm is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy R. Helm of Metropolis, Illinois. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois. Brother Helm served in the Armed Forces as a First Lieutenant for

three years and saw action in North Africa, Italy, France and Germany. He served in the 422 A.A.A. Battalion and later in Company D, 99th Chemical



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT R. HELM

Battalion. He is now employed with McLaren, Goode and Company, Seattle, Washington as a Certified Public Accountant.

For their honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Helm went to Vancouver, Canada; then to Banff; Chicago, Illinois, where they visited his sister, Mary Helm Mattson; Metropolis, Illinois, Brother Helm's home town; St. Louis, where they were the guests of Brother Norman Seip, Alpha Deuteron '40, and his wife; Estes Park, Colorado and then on to Seattle.

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# Chapter Invisible

## EDWIN M. HARTMAN

Dr. Edwin M. Hartman, Pi '95, for nearly half a century the principal of the old Franklin and Marshall Academy died on June 20, 1947, following an illness of several weeks. He was 77 years old.

Called "Dad" Hartman by generations



EDWIN M. HARTMAN

of students at the academy he attended Kutztown State Normal School and Franklin and Marshall College and received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from the Reformed Theological Seminary.

He became a teacher at the academy in 1892 and five years later, when the school enrollment had dwindled to a point where closing was imminent, he was named principal and by vigorous action kept the academy in operation until 1943. When the academy closed because of a lack of students, he was named assistant to the president of the college.

Brother Hartman was a former national officer, serving as Vice-President of the Council from 1906 to 1908.

On June 29, 1946, the old Franklin and Marshall Academy's main building was dedicated "Hartman Hall" in honor of Brother Hartman (Jan. '47 SIGNET, Page 3).

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## HOWARD M. GORE

Howard M. Gore, Delta '00, died in Clarksburg, West Virginia, June 20, of this year. Brother Gore was one of Delta's most outstanding alumni, being a former Governor of West Virginia and Secretary of Agriculture under President Coolidge.

Brother Gore was born October 12, 1877, in Clarksburg, West Virginia and graduated from West Virginia School of Agriculture in 1900. After serving in President Coolidge's Cabinet, Gore was elected Governor of West Virginia in 1925. During his tenure of office the \$10,000,000 state capital was built and he was the first Governor to occupy the Governor's mansion.

Brother Gore dropped out of public life, returning to his farm and cattle ranches until being appointed a member of the Public Service Commission in 1941 by Governor M. M. Neely, Delta '01. He held this job until the time of his death.

Brother Gore took an active interest in Delta Chapter. He was one of the principal speakers at Delta's 50th Anniversary Celebration.

Brother Gore was one of the founders of the 4-H Clubs and a member of the Baptist Church, and was affiliated with the Masons, Odd Fellows, Moose and Knights of Pythias.

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## MARK R. WOODWARD

Brother Mark R. Woodward, Lambda '05, at the age of 65, died at his home in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania on August 22, 1947 of a heart attack after being ill for a week.

Graduating in 1906, he held a degree in electrical engineering from the George Washington University. At one time he was assistant principal of McKinley High School in Washington.

Brother Woodward was the director of the cement and allied plants division of the Vulcan Iron Works at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. During World War I he was with the Navy as an engineer. Later he was sent by the Navy to Allentown, Pennsylvania, where he helped increase cement production. He also worked for several years in Chicago, where he made a study of sewage sludge in that city's rivers. During World War II he was an executive of a munitions factory at Sandusky, Ohio.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Florence Dean Woodward, he leaves two sons, Dean P. and Mark R. 3rd, his brother, and two sisters.

### EVERETT McLURE

Brother Everett McLure, Omega '24, passed away suddenly of a heart attack on June 2, 1947, at the age of 45. He died at Healdsburg, California while attending a get-together of a group of Phi Sigma Kappa alumni.

Brother McLure has been active in matters pertaining to Omega Chapter. He was the Past-President of the San Francisco Phi Sigma Kappa Club and also Past-President of the Omega Alumni Corp. Recently, he served as Vice-President on the Omega Initiation Team that helped to induct the alumni of Sigma Phi Sigma.

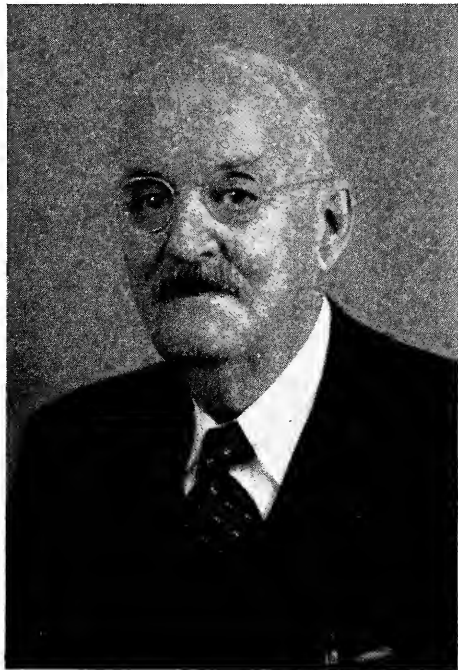
A native of Oakland, California, he graduated in 1924 from the University of California. Brother McLure associated with the firm of Blyth and Company in San Francisco, was president of the San Francisco Bond Club.

Surviving are his wife, Adaline, two children, Marian and Jean, a brother, Howard, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James T. McLure.

### FRANK SCRIPTURE CLARK

Brother Frank Scripture Clark, Alpha '87, passed away in Amherst, Massachusetts on April 11, 1947.

Brother Clark entered Massachusetts Agricultural College in 1883 and was an undergraduate member of the football and baseball teams. "Pop" Clark joined the Draper Corporation in Hopedale,



FRANK SCRIPTURE CLARK

Massachusetts after leaving college and remained with them until his retirement a few years ago.

The Phi Sig house was a second home to "Pop". He was always an active member of the house and each new group of pledges soon became his "boys". Brother Clark was one of the early initiates of the fraternity and was always ready to reminisce about the early days of Phi Sigma Kappa. He was a skillful story teller and never lacked an attentive and appreciative audience. "Pop" became one of the best known figures in campus life, and his influence was far reaching.

Brother Clark spent his last hours in Amherst on his beloved campus. Brother Andrew Nelson, Alpha Chapter President, read the fraternity's Funeral Service. It seemed fitting that his funeral services were held at the chapter house and he was borne to his last resting place by six of his "boys".

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### G. EMORY LOCHNER

Dr. G. Emory Lochner, Beta '88, for 55 years a leading Albany obstetrician, passed away at his home on January 29, 1947 at the age of 80. He had been ill since June, 1945.

Graduated from Albany Medical College in 1889, the late physician interned at Albany Hospital and started practice in 1892. He studied three years in Vienna and Berlin.

In his long career he had been chief of staff at Brady Maternity Hospital from its founding until 1918. He also had been attending obstetrician at Albany Hospital, obstetrician in chief at Memorial Hospital and clinical professor of obstetrics at Albany Medical College. He was widely known through New York State and was often called to attend maternity cases in New York City.

One of the high points of Dr. Lochner's career was his golden jubilee dinner in 1939, given by trustees of Brady Maternity Home.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Florence Countryman Lochner, and two nephews.

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### THOMAS F. BOLTZ

Brother Thomas F. Boltz, Mu '04, passed away suddenly at Clearwater, Fla. on May 22, 1947 after an operation. At the time of his death Brother Boltz was 71.

Brother Boltz was employed by the Western Pacific Railroad and later by the Portland Cement Association on such projects as the Nicaragua Canal, the Panama Canal, and the Detroit River

Bridge. Three years ago he retired and settled in Clearwater, Florida.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Thomas F. Boltz, a son, daughter, and three grandchildren.

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### FORREST L. SCHUMACHER

Dr. Forrest L. Schumacher, Mu '08, prominent expert in the field of radiology, passed away after a long illness, at the age of 62.

Retiring in January, he was one of the founders and first President of the Pittsburgh Radiological Society; was a member of Pennsylvania Radiological Society; a member of Radiological Society of America, and a fellow in the American College of Radiology.

Brother Schumacher had been associated, since 1923, with Dr. Zoe A. Johnston. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in 1904. He was a Past President of the Phi Sigma Kappa Alumni Club of Pittsburgh.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Emma Veil Schumacher, a son, Lt. Forrest V., also a member of Phi Sigma Kappa, two brothers, John and Walter and four sisters.

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### CLARENCE D. BECKER

State Senator Clarence D. Becker, Mu '13, a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature from the 17th senatorial district since 1940, passed away on August 29 at the age of 55, at Lebanon, Pa.

Senator Becker was elected to the State Senate in 1940 and was re-elected in 1944. At the time of his re-election, he was named party whip, and during the last session of the Legislature he served as chairman of the Senate Banking Committee, vice-chairman of the Corporations Committee and as a member of the Education, Finance, Judiciary General, Rules and State Government Committees.

Brother Becker graduated from Al-

bright College in 1910, and the University of Pennsylvania Law School in 1913. While at Penn he was a member of the Mask and Wig Club and of Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity.

Formerly the Vice-President and a trustee of Albright College, Brother Becker was chairman of the Albright Athletic Council for five years, and a member of its Executive Committee for seven.

A native of Lebanon County, he was a former attorney and a member of the Lebanon County Bar Association and of the State Supreme Bar. He was also solicitor and a director of the Lebanon National Bank, and for 14 years was chairman of the United Welfare Fund. He was a former trustee of Salem Lutheran Church.

Surviving are his wife, Esther Ludwig Becker, and a daughter, Mrs. John Robson of Lebanon.

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### C. CLARKE PERKINS

Brother C. Clarke Perkins, Epsilon '05, died on May 14, 1947, after being ill for less than a month.

Brother Clarke was born in Yonkers, New York, on November 6, 1883.

Brother Clarke attended prep school at Phillips and Andover Academies and was a graduate of Yale University. Immediately after receiving his degree, he was employed with the Otis Elevator Company as Sales Engineer. He was associated with it's Dallas headquarters for forty-two years. While with the Otis Elevator Company he lived in New York, Washington, and Houston.

He was a faithful member of the St. Matthew's Episcopal Cathedral, of which he was the Junior Warden.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Julia Dunbar Perkins and two daughters, Mrs. Collins G. Bland and Miss Virginia Perkins.

### PAUL W. GAEBELEIN

Brother Paul W. Gaebelein, Theta '09, at the age of 60, died on August 6, 1947 at his home in Pasadena, California, from a heart attack.

Brother Gaebelein, associated with the Chrysler Corporation for 17 years, was Vice-President and operating manager of Chrysler Motors of California.

A graduate of Columbia University with a degree in mining engineering, Mr. Gaebelein spent many years in Colorado and Oregon in mining and metallurgical activities. He served with the United States Army during World War I as a captain.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Ethel M. Gaebelein, his son, Paul, Jr., and two brothers.

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### ALBERT L. GRINDY

Brother Albert L. Grindy, Chi '16, died suddenly of a heart attack in Huntington, Indiana, at the age of 54.

Brother Grindy received his degree from Williams College in 1916. After completing his college course he was employed in the Accounting Department of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company in New York City, but left that position in 1917 to enlist in the Army for service during World War I.

On his discharge from the Army early in 1919, Brother Grindy entered the employ of the Arnold Print Works Corporation of North Adams, Massachusetts as an assistant to the Purchasing Agent. In 1926 he became the Purchasing Agent and in 1931 assumed the post of Treasurer. Early in 1944 Brother Grindy went to Trenton, New Jersey to become comptroller of the Thermoid Corporation. Two years later he became president of the Asbestos Manufacturing Company of Huntington, Indiana.

Brother Grindy was a member of the school committee of North Adams for four years, a trustee of the Hoosac Savings Bank, a director of the North Ad-

ams National Bank, a member of St. John's Episcopal Church, a member of the Rotary Club, North Adams Lodge of Elks, Frank R. Stiles Post of the American Legion and the Williams Alumni Association of which he was president of the Berkshire County Chapter for several years. In 1943 he gave to his Alma Mater a quantity of scarce chemicals for use in the chemical laboratories. He also belonged to the Newcomen Society of America, an organization of industrial engineers.

He leaves his wife, the former Marion Briggs, one son, Dana, a daughter, Rosamond, a brother and a sister.

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In making our semi-annual address check word has come to The SIGNET of the death of the following brothers: George Morrison Hutcheck, Chi Deuteron '44, passed away 1945; Dr. Henry J. Noerling, Beta '11, died February 1944; Dr. Frederick W. Cordes, Beta '95; John A. La Bate, Beta '22, passed away February 14, 1945; James Barker May, Psi '29, died June, 1945; Dr. Willis E. Bowen, Gamma '02, passed away July 11, 1944; Frank Bennett, Iota '01, died in 1938; Elmore Bowen, Omecron '15, passed away August 8, 1932; Floyd E. Woods, Xi '15, died October 16, 1938; Alfred F. Hodgman, Beta '88, passed away in 1937; Dr. John I. Chorlog, Zeta Deuteron '25, died October 18, 1937; Harold Saxton Reese, Gamma Triton '41; Harvey F. Smith, Delta '97; James R. Fox, Jr., Epsilon '26; Abraham L. Kellogg, Chi. Hon.; James C. Murphy, Mu Deuteron '23; John Robert Nichols, Mu '30; William L. Wooddell, Delta '01, passed away March 9, 1944; Harry Crosby Camp, Epsilon '02, died June 16, 1944; Arthur E. Williams, Sigma '12; Gerald A. Smith, Kappa Deuteron '36, passed away December 19, 1944; William R. Gawthrop, Phi '18, died March 29, 1943; Delos C. McLearn, Xi '19; Harvey F. Smith, Delta '97.

## Babygrams

First Lieutenant and Mrs. Samuel H. Oakley announce the birth of a son, John Bilyen Oakley, on June 18, 1947, at the Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco. John has a three year old sister, Pamela.

Brother Oakley, Omega '35, is stationed at Oakland Army Base, Calif.

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A future Phi Sig by the name of Brian Frederick was born to the Michael Katens on March 30, 1947.

Brother Kapen is a member of Epsilon Triton, class of 1948.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wells Spurck announce the birth of their son, Robert Wells Spurck, Jr., on May 21, 1947.

Brother Spurck is a member of Kappa Chapter, class of 1941.

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A daughter, Kristina, was born on May 3, 1947, to the Thomas O. Arntsens, Omicron Deuteron '38. Miss Kristina weighed in at six pounds, six ounces at the Garfield Hospital, Washington, D. C.

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Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Brown, Jr., Delta '41, are the proud parents of a baby girl, Susan Frances Brown.

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A baby girl was born to the Glenn Riggles, Delta '41. Their daughter's name is Barbara Susan.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gard Huff announce the birth of their daughter.

Brother Huff, Delta '42, is now working for Rips Furniture Company of Parkersburg, West Virginia.

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A new addition has been added to the household of the Hugo J. Marshs.

Brother Marsh, Delta '42, is employed as an engineer with the Rolland Glass Company, Clarksburg, West Virginia.



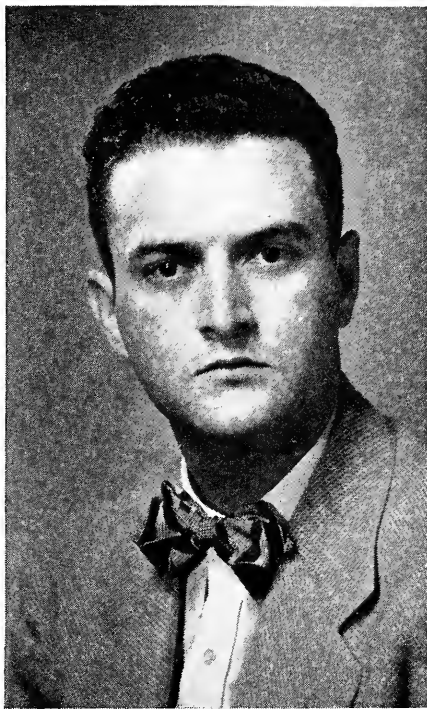
### JENKINS AWARDED SCHOLARSHIP

J. Clark Jenkins, Theta Triton '48, was awarded, for the second time, the Ascher Silberstein Scholarship for the 1947-48 session at the University of Texas.

Mrs. Rose Silberstein of Dallas in memory of her husband, Ascher Silberstein, donated to the University of Texas a sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of endowing the Ascher Silberstein Scholarship. The income from the fund, amounting to \$275 annually, is awarded each year to a young man or woman who is a graduate of a Dallas high school. In making this award regard is given to the applicant's moral and intellectual fitness.

Brother Jenkins graduated from W. H. Adamson High School in Dallas and then attended North Texas Agricultural College at Arlington, Texas for two semesters where he was inducted into Phi Kappa Theta Honor Society for maintaining a 90-plus average. It was on the basis of Brother Jenkins' work at N.T.A.C. that he was awarded the Silberstein Scholarship for the first time in 1946-47 at the University of Texas. He was awarded the scholarship for the second time on the basis of the work he did at the University of Texas during his Junior year. Brother Jenkins was on the honor roll in the College of Education at the University of Texas in the summa cum laude section for the fall semester of 1946.

Brother Jenkins will graduate from the University of Texas in June, 1948 with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Education. He plans to enter the field of secondary education and teach history and literature in some country of Latin America. Upon his graduation from the university he will receive his permanent secondary school teaching certificate from the Texas State Board of Education. Brother Jenkins is a charter member of Theta Triton Chapter and holds the offices of Inductor and Pledgemaster. He is also secretary and life member of Al-



J. CLARK JENKINS

pha Rho Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity. He received the outstanding pledge award of Alpha Phi Omega in May, 1945.

### PARKINSON JOINS NEW ENGLAND MUTUAL

Robert L. Parkinson, Theta Deuteron '23, long an outstanding personality in West Coast coaching circles, is now a member of the general agency of New England Mutual Life Insurance Company in Oakland, California. Brother Parkinson will maintain his office in his home town of Modesto.

After directing the physical education program at Ceres, California for five years, he took over the coaching duties at Modesto High School and has established an outstanding record.

Brother Parkinson is a Navy veteran of the first World War and belongs to the American Legion.

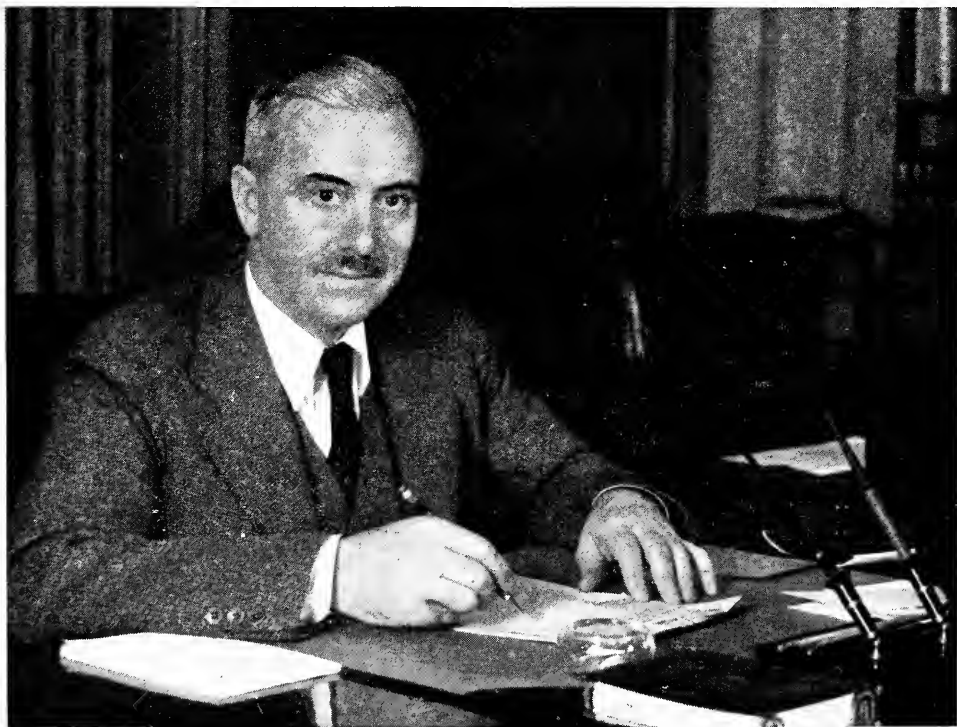
# Parran Receives Lasker Award

In its October 6th edition, *Time* magazine announced that Dr. Thomas Parran, Sigma '11, Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service received a special Lasker Award of \$2,500 for "outstanding contributions to the national health." Notable were Brother Parran's campaign against venereal disease and his leadership in establishing the United Nation's World Health Organization.

Although the Lasker Awards in Public Health were set up only last year by a former Chicago advertising executive, Albert D. Lasker and his wife Mary, these awards are considered one of the top medical awards in the United States. Awarded annually by the American Public Health Association, the prizes are in-

tended to stimulate efforts for mass life-saving. They are given to medical scientists or administrators who have contributed most toward fighting the major fatal diseases. Individual winners received a thousand dollars and a gold statuette of the Winged Victory—a kind of "Medical Oscar."

In addition to Dr. Parran's special award, Lasker prizes went to Dr. Oswald T. Avery, bacteriologist with the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research; Dr. Thomas Francis, Jr., influenza vaccine discoverer at the University of Michigan; Dr. Homer Smith, famed physiologist and explorer of New York University; and Dr. Alice Hamilton, industrial health expert.



DR. THOMAS PARRAN

A black and white photograph of a busy swimming pool. In the upper left, a man and a woman are sitting on a diving board. In the upper right, a group of people are in a small boat on the water. In the lower left, a large waterfall cascades down. In the lower right, a man and a woman are sitting on a bench near the waterfall. The text "CHAPTERETTES" is overlaid on the left side of the image, and "CHUQUE BEINE?" is overlaid on the right side.

# CHAPTERETTES

## CHUQUE BEINE?



The last four months for Lambda have been the busiest in many a year. With final examinations over for the spring semester, the chapter took a four day "breather" at Chopowamsic National Forest near Quantico, Va. The George Washington chapter of the Delta Zeta sorority were our guests.

The four day vacation was spent swimming, boating, hiking, and generally loafing around. One evening we hiked to a scenic spot overlooking the lake and had a campfire picnic. Brothers Ed Dentz, Bob Olmert, and Gene Leonard tried their luck at fishing, but Brother Dale Harwood took the sportsmen's honors with his frog gigging.

The mess hall was the center of attraction with its two G. I. cans filled with ice cold cokes and its three stoves filled with country food. Brother Paul Correll, ably assisted by Pledge Claude Murrey, did an excellent job of managing in the kitchen. Praise for the success of the whole trip goes to Brother Elton Murphy, whose planning and drive put over the entire project.

The day after our return from Chopowamsic "hell week" began. Four days and nights were spent by the pledges preparing the house for formal initiation on May 29th. Seven men were initiated into the bond: William A. Baker, Jr.; Robert C. Bauman; Melvin L. Chrisman; Herbert A. Freese, Jr.; A. David Mancini; Henry H. Prince, Jr.; and Peter Repak.

After initiation Lambda, with over half of the brothers remaining, settled down to summer school. The summer officers were Stan Williams, President; Ed Dentz, Vice-President; Bob McCosky, Secretary; Gene Trimble, Treasurer; Walt Cravens, Inductor; and Bob Olmert, Sentinel.

Although interfraternity sports were discontinued during the summer, the Lambda softball team continued to play both fraternity and government teams. Under the able leadership of Gene Leonard, Athletic Director, the Phi Sig team had a full summer of sports. In the evenings after games, social gatherings were held with the opposing teams.

The biggest event for Lambda this year was the move from our old house on Massachusetts Avenue to the new chapter house on New Hampshire Avenue. The chapter elected to move itself during the Labor Day weekend. Fifteen to thirty hours were spent by each brother to complete the move in a record three days. The whole operation was carried out under the supervision of Bill Beresford, the house manager. Brother Beresford received the acclaim from both actives and alumni for a tough job excellently done.

The summer social highlights included a Kappa Delta picnic in Rock Creek Park, a Delta Zeta party at Stansbury Hall, and a Kappa Kappa Gamma tea in Chevy Chase, Maryland.

In the September quarterly election Brother Lew Hoffacker was elected President. Lew was president last spring and returns now after a summer in Ari-

zona to take up the reins again in the trying period of settling a new house.

Brother Stan Williams was elected Vice-President and house manager. Stan was president during the summer months, and along with Brother Beresford did an excellent job of supervising the moving.

Other officers for this quarter are Woody Seybert, Secretary; Gene Trimble, Treasurer; Elton Murphy, Inductor; and Melvin Chrisman, Sentinel. Brothers Walt Cravens and Elton Murphy were elected to the Interfraternity Council.

The big day for house warming was set for October 3rd. The entire university was invited to attend the festivities. New furniture has been bought for the main floor and the recreation room. Contractors have refinished the ground floor and the Phi Sigs themselves have completely made over the recreation room.

Immediately following the house



Brothers Gray and Murphy setting up road markers directing brothers and guests to Lambda Chapter's Camping Party.



THE LAMBDA TEAM AFTER A VICTORIOUS GAME WITH SIGMA CHI.

Standing, left to right: John Grey, Bob Pittman, Gene Leonard, Bob Elliott, Al Taufer, Bill Hives. Kneeling, left to right: Will Huges, Dale Harwood, Mel Chrisman, Pat Bushmier, Duane Stewart, Ed Dentz, and Bob Olmert.

warming, the Phi Sigs plunge into the "rush" season. An Interfraternity Council Smoker at the National Airport formally opens the rushing campaign. Phi Sig rush functions will include a Patio

established at Lambda. The mothers and wives are now engaged in making curtains and drapes for our new house. During the coming rush functions the ladies will prepare and serve most of the refreshments. Mrs. Seybert has been elected president of the club.

Brother Eric Nordholm won first prize for Comet class sailing boats in the recent President's Regatta. Eric, who has been racing boats for eight years, founded the Sailing Club at George Washington. He recently placed fourth in the International sailing races held at Ithaca, New York.

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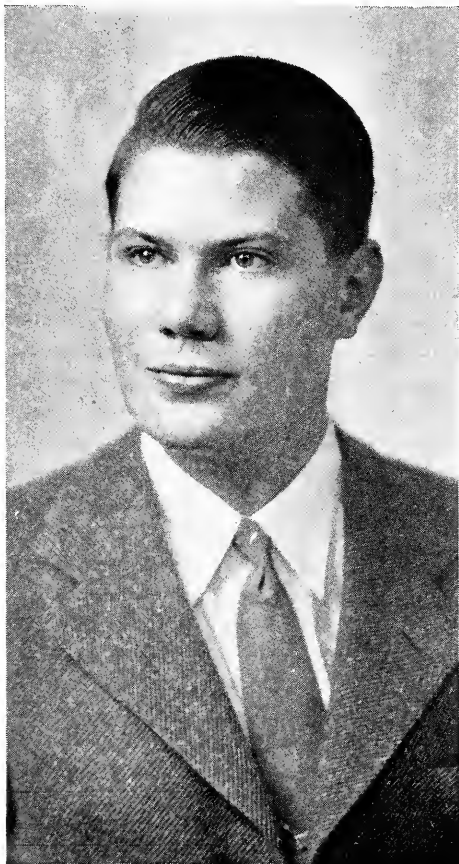
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#### Stevens Institute of Technology

No, Hoboken has not been removed from the map. We decided that it was about time to let the rest of the Brothers of PSK in on our doings.

This past spring has been a busy one for Phi Sigs at Stevens. Our Founder's Day Banquet came off on March 14 with many of the old alumni present for the occasion. The guest was Past Grand President John Marchmont. After the food and beer, Brother Marchmont and Brother Tietze, Stevens '24, outlined some of the national and local difficulties in keeping our chapter operating through the war and the present period.

Our "Big Affair" of the spring, and the last big fling before final exams, was Spring Sports Weekend. On Friday evening, May 16, the house preceeded the I. F. C. Ball with a formal dinner. Johnny Long and his orchestra in the Terrace Room at Newark made the evening a great success. Saturday morning classes were much more interesting, for all dates were invited to come and see for themselves that the professors weren't as bad as we make them out to be. The main afternoon sports event, a Lacrosse game with M. I. T. Friday night, must have been a little too rough for our boys. The Dramatic Society outdid them-



CLARKE DAVISON

Initiated into Phi Beta Kappa, and also a member of Sigma Chi, National Scientific Fraternity.

Picnic, Smoker, Saturday Cabaret, Tea Dance with Kappa Alpha Theta as our guests, Apple Cobbler, Bachelor's Buffet, annual Farmer's Day Ball, and finally a Cocktail Dance.

Brother Clarke Davison has been initiated into Phi Beta Kappa. In addition, Brother Davison is a member of Sigma Xi, the National Scientific Fraternity.

A Mothers' and Wives' Club has been



selves with their fine production of "Knickerbocker Holiday" Saturday evening. After the musical comedy, the whole college turned out for their big spring formal dance. Sunday was no day of rest for the Phi Sigs and their dates, for it was off to Long Branch for a picnic by the sea. We made our base of operations Brother Frank Ross' summer home.

### *The Men in Our Lives*

We lost brothers Curt Van Valkenburgh, Bill Ellison, Frank Ross, Jack Koehler, Don Flechtner, Joe Martus, and Henry Muller in the June graduation. These men were really good because among them they held two Tau Beta Pi keys, three from Pi Delta Epsilon, two each from Gear and Triangle and Khoda, campus honorary societies.

We gained George Bugglin, '50, Bob Kendall, '50, John Nugent, '50, and Gordon White, '50, as full brothers. The results of spring rushing are Leo Chase, Art Gardner, Bill Hoth, and Tom Florez of the Class of 1951 and Marty Downey, '50, "Kid" brother to Steve Downey, '41.

Our officers for the fall term were elected at the last meeting of the old year. The "big wheels" will be Walt Johnson, '48, (called Baldy by many for some strange (?) reason) as President, Leo Howatt, '48, as Vice-President, and our financial wizzard continues to be Jack Madill, '48. Chief scribbler will be Don Van Court, '50. Don is half of the house's railroad-minded duo—call it a train and they will both drool. Playing caboose to Don's engine is Bob Halstrick. Jerry Brady, '49, is Inductor and Bob Kendall, '50, is Sentinel.

Our plans for this fall are by no means complete, but we are thinking of having a hay ride under a full moon, that is, if we can find one, a wagon, suh, a wagon!!

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## OMICRON DEUTERON

University of Alabama

By JAMES MASSEY

April 15, 1947 marked a turning point in the history of Omicron Deuteron for on that day a lease was signed for a house. Since then the chapter has progressed rapidly and we are now looking toward the future with a bright outlook.

Immediately after obtaining the house seven of the brothers and pledges moved in to take possession and begin some of the many necessary repairs. There was no furniture available which meant that we had to acquire enough beds, tables, etc. to move into the house.

Before many outstanding accomplishments could be brought about we found that the quarter was over with and summer found us still trying to get furniture and other things.

Omicron Deuteron stayed active during the summer making plans for the Fall Quarter and preparing the house.

With that little history behind us let's look at the ones that deserve the most credit for putting the chapter back upon the campus of the University of Alabama.

Brother Robert Webster, who has served in nearly every capacity in the fraternity chapter, should be mentioned first. Through his pounding of the pavements, talking with Deans, with real estate agents, brothers in town, etc., he made it possible for our name to be so prominent in their minds that this house was obtained.

Next in line should be our President, Clyde Wolfe. Brother Wolfe has had the job of settling on the amount of the rent. Quite a tedious problem, in this day of rising prices. Brother Wolfe has also been influential in obtaining many improvements for the house.

Next in line should be Brother Claude Stone, for his continued effort to get the chapter organized and his fatherly advice.

There are many others that have

helped in this vast job and to the above mentioned and the others, the living memory of Omicron Deuteron back from oblivion should be a great monument.

The social functions in the house have been quite limited due to many factors. However, there has been a number of house rush parties, one large buffet supper and a number of bridge parties.

The housemother here is Miss May White. Miss White, having a knowledge of the intricacies of a fraternity, has been quite helpful in making our living room and date parlor acceptable. Even to loaning us furniture and many other things in time of need.

Brother Eddie Dennis is the new faculty advisor. Upon his shoulders has been placed a heavy load and the members feel that he is quite capable to fulfill this capacity. Brother Dennis replaces Dean A. B. Moore.

The first pinning was Brother Jack Martin to Miss Jane Rhodes, President of Gamma Phi Beta—Birmingham-Southern.

Alumni Brother Ted McKosky married Miss Catherine Hudgens on September 8. Ted was a former football player here at 'Bama. To Ted and Catherine we wish a long and happy married life. Congratulations are also in order to Brother Bob Hughes and his bride.

Our newest Brother is Earle (Buck) Reynolds and the new pledges are Alex Sanders and Conrad Hauser.

We were honored by a visit from our Regional Director, Brother Barrett Fuchs, but it fell during our vacation; therefore, we hope he did not get the wrong impression.

It was our pleasure to entertain Brother Jay Janes, Xi Deuteron, recently, thanks to the Phi Mu Sorority. Brother Noah Broadway, Gamma Triton, in a recent visit discovered the attraction at Midway.

Speaking of Midway, there is Brother

Long that wishes Midway was only down stairs. Brother Armstrong, from Penn., has acquired a real liking to southern drinks.

Brothers Jones, Wolfe, and Massey have turned over a new leaf for the Fall Quarter and are now looking for new girl friends. Casanova Pledges Klompars and Brutkiewicz are having no difficulty. Pledge McNeal who really suffered with a sunburn after the Fourth of July now believes in taking only short sunbaths.

Brother Jack Martin is now proudly displaying his Theta Tau pin. Brother Armstrong re-entered the Navy between quarters for a two week stay.

To all Phi Sigs we extend a hearty welcome to visit us any time they are in Tuscaloosa.

With an eye toward the future of a greater Phi Sig chapter here at Alabama your reporter says "I'll be seeing you all."

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## NU DEUTERON Stanford University

By ART LEVINSON

Since school bells don't ring on "The Farm" till Oct. 1, this aforementioned rustic is performing this bit of "Underwood duty" at a flashy southern California beach.

Leland Stanford is in business for academic reasons, but Phi Sigs don't always agree with that plank, and the inevitable result is the loss of a few members along the college route. We lost one soul last spring, and although I haven't seen the latest report cards, I believe another member fell by the wayside after the spring outing.

Only two Nu Deuterons graduated, and with a pledge class of 16 men, our ranks now crack the 50 mark. All the regulars are expected back this fall. "Dad Ray" Pascoe, intramural athletic ace—also a classy horseshoe pitcher—



is expected to put in an appearance from his Glendale villa.

Bill Larson, the pride of the Stanford pole vaulting corps, returns also. Getting back into shape last year after a long Navy tour, Larson hit 13 ft. consistently, and should soar higher this season. Señor Larry Maduro left for his Panama homeland last June with three trunks, a sombrero, and his brother. All items are expected back this month. Larry, in a moment of haste, stated that his pater is a Panamanian industrial magnate who manufactures poisoned arrows for the warring Indian tribes.

More All-Star Phi Sigs expected back: Rod Browning, the mint julep tycoon; Charlie Homer, throwback to medieval scholasticism, will keep the lads in philosophical tow; "Cactus Jack" Meredith, basketball and race horse player, who will preside over the house as prexy; Bill Moser, "Poly Sci" expert and an athlete in good standing from Porterville, home of many great athletes; Bob Cooke, a snappy southern California tennis king; David Rust, skier and *bon vivant*; "Gordo" Levy, KSU Sports Director and correspondent for the McClatchey News Service; and so down the list of Phi Sigs I could continue.

Rushing doesn't start till January, so we'll have plenty of time to tidy up our household before prospective pledges take a peek at our "home away from home." Our classy volleyball installation should entice more than one freshman fledgling. Ditto for our white paint job and new grass.

Indian Phi Sigs poke their noses into most campus activities. Larry Frankly, with the thespian bug biting him, has been donning grease paint for numerous campus productions. Rod Browning, a southerner from northern Utah, business manages KSU, a Stanford radio station. Ev Young handles all sales of football programs.

When this typewriting worker gets

back to the familiar haunts, a more detailed report on Stanford's Phi Sigma Kappa will be sent along to this publication.

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## XI

### St. Lawrence University

The men of Xi Chapter, returning refreshed, tanned and—in some cases—married, have flooded back to St. Lawrence campus after a summer of varied experiences. Several brothers, no doubt overwhelmed by last spring's lush June



Members of Xi inspect Brother Wynn Schwadron's new Crosley.

weather, took the fatal step during the vacation. Jim MacAloon, Al Brandt, "Hoot" Gibson and Wynn Schwadron are among those who have not returned emptyhanded. "Booger" Salzburg has presented his childhood sweetheart with a small rock to signify his intent to wed, thereby fulfilling a prophesy in last year's SIGNET to that effect.

Among the accumulated gear the returnees carried could be barely discerned Brother Wynn Schwadron's powerful new Crosley automobile, eight hundred pounds of atomic energy. A smooth '34 Packard convertible, with speed etched in every line, came with owner Gil

Dwyer, as well. With these additions, plus several others, Xi Chapter possesses enough locomotion to move *en masse* to Crumps, the local ice cream bar.

New furniture now graces Phi Sig Hall. A solid maple dining room set is destined to be the envy of the campus. Brothers Roger Pihl, Ken Dyer and Bob Griffith did fine work in obtaining the units.

Chapter functions, scheduled to soon be underway, will find the following officers at the helm: Frank Stehli, President; Roger Pihl, Vice-President; Bill Davis, Treasurer; Gil Palmer, Secretary; Doug Straw, Inductor; and Andy Doty, Sentinel.

With football in the air, thoughts have turned to the varsity and intramural sports picture. Brothers Otto Schiem, John Moro and Doc Partridge have landed berths on the two top teams. On the intramural scene a fighting Xi football team is promised, with hopes held for the school championship. In fact the chapter, with much new-found strength, has an eye on the coveted school sports banner this year, and should annex some high honors.

Three managers also hail from the Phi Sig stronghold. "Hoot" Gibson handles the basketball chores, Marty Katarba is with the ski team, and Guy Donaruma has risen to the position of head manager of the baseball squad.

Ed Nozeglia and Gil Palmer have brought forth honors to the house by attaining marks sufficiently high enough to give them entrance into the honor societies of Phi Beta Kappa and Pi Mu Epsilon, respectively.

News of the Phi Sigma Kappa "Moonlight Girl" contest has been well received at Xi. Other Chapters may rest assured that a full measure of lovely maidens will be presented by Xi; and arrangements are already being made to select a girl suitable enough to impress even the most discerning judge.

## EPSILON TRITON

### The American University

By WILLIAM A. AIKIN

Now that registration has been completed we can settle down to the routine of class work, study, and fraternity duties. There are great things in store for the newcomers to the campus of the College of Arts and Sciences at the American University. Not only has the college the largest enrollment in its history, but the many activities on the campus have been increased immeasurably. There are even things which are new to the old-timers on the campus. Radio station WMAL, the American Broadcasting Company's affiliate in Washington, has completed the erection of its television tower on the campus, and the studios are in the final stages of completion. It is understood the University will have daily telecasting time on the new TV program.

The student radio station WAMC, which was slow in getting started last spring, is getting its mechanical equipment and talent in order for an early broadcasting date. This station is a member of the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System. There is talent to spare for just about every kind of campus activity one might think of; sports, drama, radio, art, music, comedy, international relations, and of course not forgetting sororities and fraternities. Our basketball team this year should really be something special, if one can believe what he reads in the newspapers.

Mrs. Sadie Wills Dade, who was housemother for the Lambda Chapter at George Washington University last year, has been appointed to the position of housemother at Mary Graydon Hall, the women's residence hall on the campus. She is a loyal Phi Sig, and her "boys" are her pride.

### Our New Property

Epsilon Triton Chapter has acquired some additional property on the campus.

We have annexed a small building next door to be used as a meeting room and a study. This building is connected to our old building by a covered patio, with lattice work at the back which will eventually be covered with climbing roses. A small building at the rear is being converted to living quarters for some of the members. The frontage of our property has a picket fence with an arched entrance in the center. We are all very proud of the work that has been done thus far; and we particularly give our thanks to Brothers Irv Mills, Mike Katen, George Latham, Bob Malone, and others who contributed so freely of their time this summer to make our property the most beautiful on the campus. There is much more to be done, and we are all looking forward to bending every effort to complete the project. When the job is finally completed there will be pictures to give you an idea of what we have done thus far.

### *Chapter Activities*

New officers were elected to Epsilon Triton Chapter at the close of the spring semester and are now serving capably for this first quarter. They are: Brothers Irving Mills, President; George Latham, Vice-President; Fred Heitzinger, Secretary; Carl Patterson, Treasurer; Al Gross, Sentinel; Tex Griffin, Inductor . . . . Last spring a trophy was given to the chapter to be presented each year to the most outstanding member of this chapter in all-round activity. The first presentation was split between two members of the chapter; Brothers Ted Branthover and Lee Cozan.

The rushing season is in full swing. There are many good pledging prospects in the new freshman class, and among the newcomers to the other classes. We certainly intend to get our share of the best of this crop . . . . Epsilon Triton Chapter is growing steadily, and we are putting every effort into being one of the most active chapters of Phi Sigma Kap-

pa . . . . Our social program is shaping into a very active year. Our two rush parties were a huge success. The first was held on the eighteenth of October at the Battery Park Club in Bethesda, Md. The other was staged at the Lambda House on October 28, where we made our final drive for pledges. A success by all standards of rushing. The Interfraternity Council will present its annual dance this month, and it promises to be one of the biggest affairs at the College of Arts and Sciences. During the Christmas season the three Phi Sigma Kappa chapters in the Washington area, Lambda, Eta and Epsilon Triton, will hold their annual Christmas dance. We look forward to this dance with much anticipation because it is always a grand affair. And then looking still farther into the future there is the Carnation Ball. Again the three Washington area chapters participate in this event of the year. This year Epsilon Triton has charge of the presentation of the affair under the chairmanship of Brother Bill Aikin.

We have begun our contest for a campus Moonlight Girl which is being sponsored by the SIGNET. With the assistance of the Dean of Women, and the many women's clubs on the campus we are looking forward to a lively contest. The girls are taking an active interest in the contest and we can be assured of many returns from our efforts. The results should be enlightening, and if hard work and a glamor-girl will do it we'll have an entrant who should get some place.

### *New Members, Pledges*

Several new members were initiated at the close of the 1947 school year. They are: Rupert Smith, George Wohlgemuth, Bill Binswanger, and Art Kamm. We welcome these men to our ever growing circle of fellowship. The pledges who returned to school this fall, and whom we hope to initiate soon are, John McLaughlin, John Briggs, Warren "Tex"

Carter, Jason Baker, Al Nencioni, Roy Mullen, Henry Havemeyer, and Mike Moore.

### *About The Alumni*

Cliff Evans, one of the two flyers making a round-the-world flight in a Piper Cub plane, is an alumnus of Epsilon Triton Chapter. There will be much more about Cliff in the SIGNET when he has returned from his history-making flight . . . . Carl "Bing" Byham, a former star basketball player at the American University, and a member of the male quartet (while in school,) is active in University administration . . . . Brother Herbert Fuchs is Advisor to our chapter, and Brother Barrett Fuchs is a most busy man as Director of Region Three, Phi Sigma Kappa . . . . Paul Weidler, '43, has returned to the American University where he is beginning his studies in pre-dental work . . . . Ted Stawicki, who visited on the campus during the summer, is still at Quantico, Va. working hard at being a Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. Ted should be playing on the Quantico football team this fall, however, we haven't heard from him recently to confirm it.

### *. . . . AND ANNIVERSARIES . . . .*

An unusual event in a chapter as small as Epsilon Triton, or any chapter for that matter, was celebrated on last July 13. Three members of the chapter celebrated their wedding anniversary on that date. At a dinner Irv Mills and his wife Joan, Bob Malone and his wife Dorothy, and Bill Aikin and his wife Marcella, celebrated their respective years of wedded bliss. The dinner was held at the Old New Orleans in Washington, and they danced to the strains of the *Anniversary Song*.

### *On Scholastics*

Ten members and pledges of Epsilon Triton Chapter were on the Dean's scholastic list at the close of the 1947 school year. They were: Dean Carter, Britt

and Gary Schweitzer, Francis Kendrick, Mike Katen, George Tolley, John Harrison, Brice Horton, Irv Mills, and Roy Mullen . . . . Only three men were chosen to the College Honor Society this year and they were all Phi Sigs: Dean Carter, John Harrison, and Gary Schweitzer . . . . Dean Carter graduated with the highest honors in his class — 1947 . . . . And Francis Kendrick was elected to the Honorary Science Fraternity Beta Beta Beta.

### *About Transfers*

Several of the fellows have transferred to other schools, while those who just graduated are taking post graduate work elsewhere. Brothers Ted Branthover, Bob Jennings, and Tom Schmidt have transferred to Catholic University . . . . Brother Rupert Smith is attending the University of Florida . . . . Brother Brice Horton is registered at the Washington School of Law . . . . Francis Kendrick has entered Emory College of Atlanta, Ga. . . . Brothers Gary and Britt Schweitzer are working on masters degrees in physics . . . Gary at the University of Michigan, and Britt at Northwestern University . . . . Brother George Tolley is at the University of Chicago where he is working for a masters degree in economics . . . . Brother Dean Carter has entered the University of Indiana. He is continuing his art studies there, which will culminate in a masters degree in art . . . . John Harrison is attending Johns-Hopkins in Baltimore, continuing his study of biology.

### *Campus Activities*

Brother Bob Malone was elected to the presidency of the Student Association. Bob attended the Student Association Congress at Madison, Wisconsin, in early September. It was a meeting of student representatives from many colleges and universities in the United States . . . . Bill Aikin is a member of the staff of WAMC, the American University campus radio station. He will act in the

capacity of news editor for the station. He has also been appointed as Washington correspondent for the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System.

### *On Sports*

If you have been reading the newspapers you will note the plans for a top-notch basketball team at the American University this year. The prospects for winning recognition nationally are good, and our own Brother Tex Griffin should be a fighting member of that team . . . . Epsilon Triton's softball team won the intramural cup last spring; another cup added to our ever-growing stock of trophies . . . . We also won the volley ball cup . . . . We have excellent prospects for the coming intramural football games. Returning this year are two veteran footballers, Fred Sharrah, who will add plenty of weight to the team, and Bob Frailey fast-moving, fast-talking back. Among the newcomers will be Al Gross, Fred Heitzinger, John Briggs, Tex Carter, John McLaughlin, McKinley Luther, George Wohlgemuth, Bill Binswanger, and many others among the pledges.

Pledge Al Nencioni has been elected captain of the track team and of the junior varsity basketball team . . . . Pledge John Briggs is captain of the swimming team . . . . Tex Carter is a member of the swimming team . . . . Fred Sharrah has been elected Secretary-Treasurer of the "A" Club.

### *And Now . . .*

It looks like a big year for Epsilon Triton Chapter. We have men in every sport and just about every activity on the campus. We're not doing badly at all.

"Doc" Holton, president of the chapter's Alumni Association has told us that the alumni is ready for a more active participation in the chapter's activities, and we are looking forward to seeing them at our meetings and social affairs. It WILL be a big year.

## CHI

### Williams College

Since Williams was one of the few schools to have a full summer term, Chi Chapter stayed in operation all summer. There were twenty Phi Sigs at Williams this summer, and this number was augmented by Brother Edgerton of Phi Chapter, who transferred to Williams for the summer term.

As usual, the chapter was active in campus activities. Brother Dave Traylor produced and starred in the college production of *Macbeth*. Ten other members of Chi took part in that production in supporting roles. They included Brothers Adams, Killian, Mann, Teft, Cole, Hammel, Thompson, Mills, Martin, and Lehmann.

Brothers Cole and Traylor were elected President and Vice-President of the Gargoyle Society, top honor society on the Williams campus. Members of this society are chosen on the basis of outstanding contributions to college activities, and Chi is honored by its two fine representatives in the organization.

Graduation took place on September 26, with Brother "Cozy" Cole as class speaker. Other members of Chi graduating at that time were Brothers Adams, Brown, Mann, Teft, Mills, Gray, Davey, Martin, Traylor and Townsend. While we were sorry to see them go, we know they will represent Chi in their various lines of endeavour as ably as they have represented it on the Williams campus.

Those of us still remaining look forward to a fine year. With the completion of a successful rushing period, we have started the new year right, and we hope to accomplish even more than we did last year, now that our period of "post-war reconversion" is at an end.

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## DELTA

West Virginia University

By ROBERT "SMOKEY" GROVE

Delta Chapter is well on its way to what promises to be one of its most successful years. The semester was launched in fine style after the greater part of the summer was devoted to the re-equipping of the house.

New floor covering was installed in all the corridors and staircases. The kitchen was blessed with considerable improvements as was the house card room. The chapter once more is fortunate in having Jim and Ella Quarrels back as cooks. After a one year vacation, Jim and Ella have returned for their twenty-eighth year.

The new chapter lounge room was officially opened during rush week. The new room, graced with a gay glass brick bar and soft lights has already become a prominent feature of the house.

Fall election of officers installed Bill Winfrey as President; Bob "Snatch" Pendergast, Vice-President; Buzz Lind, Treasurer; Percy Catlett, Secretary; Rocky Reed, Inductor, and George "Bud" Freese, Sentinel. Bob Carr was appointed Social Chairman, Dick Windon was appointed Athletic Director, and Dave Harmer was appointed song leader.

The Chapter has been well represented in the first two of the Mountaineer football games. Brother Fred Moorecraft, playing first string end, acted as captain in the Otterbein rout, which WVU won 59-0. Brother George Freese, from whom we expect to see considerable action this season as half-back, has been temporarily sidelined because of a trick knee. Brother Clare Wilson has been acting as conversion ace for the Mountaineers. Brother Wilson booted three extra points through the up-rights in the opening game of the season. Brother LeRoy Lester also saw action in the opener.

Brother Gene Caussin once more "fronts" the University's largest dance band. The fifteen-piece outfit also includes Brothers Wally Swartz, Paige Meldon, and Smokey Grove.

The University Wrestling Team will doubtless include Brothers Jim and Pork Mendenhall who earned their letters last year. Broth-



President Bill Winfrey and Mary Frances Badger, Field Secretary for Alpha Phi, on the Chapter House steps.

er Bob Butler, who also saw action on the University mat last year, will probably be back in action this year.

Delta Chapter's rush week was a great success, as the rushees were kept well entertained with three parties and two smokers, along with the usual rush week dinners. The following men are included in the pledge class: Bill Anderson, Dwight Davis, Bob Kimmins, Bud Paetsold, Todd Butler, Jack Newlon, George Stump, Bob Frankhouser, Bob Summers, Lewis Day, Bob Carnahan, Albert Bonds, Bob Thomas, Bill Sharpe, Dave Clay, Bill Ornic, Dave Kester, Bob Dent, Bob Coffman, Kenny Henderson, Bob Tavener, Bob Whiting, Earl Stalnaker, Norman Knapp, George Brown, Dave Stevenson, Bob Reager, Bill Keightly, Bernard Clutter, Jim Edwards and Ralph Morris.

Formal initiation for the spring pledge class is slated for October 18th. Pledge Dick Talbott, who recently returned from a "hitch" in the Marines, and Bernard "Bogie" Hill, who was recently discharged from the Army, will be included in the class. Other pledges in the Spring class include: Chuck Wilson, Tom Brown, Lyle Rodgers, Bill Looney, Bud Parsons, Doc Gaines, Bob Hines, and Bud Stone.

Brother Clare Wilson married Miss

Pat Yeager during the summer. Brother Charles Cottrell and Miss Betty Peyton, Chi Omega, were married during August. Pledge Bud Parsons and Miss Georgia Jones took nuptial vows during



Brother Bob Carr acts as bartender and chats with rushce Bob Tavener at the rush party.

the vacation. Brother Carroll Casto married Miss Terry Jones, Alpha Phi. Brother Charles Sweeney and Miss Norma Veazy were married. Brother Paul Bowles and Miss Martha Flemming, Chi Omega, were married early in the summer.

Brother Joe Cruise accepted an appointment to the U. S. Naval Academy during the summer.



RUSH PARTY

The crowd gets a big laugh as they watch Brother Don Knotts perform during the floor show.

## OMEGA DEUTERON University of Southern California

By MYRON JONES

Opening the doors of the Omega Deuteron Chapter house for the fall semester, after interior redecoration during the summer months, house activity started with a flourish.

### *New Officers*

Genial Howard Lloyd took over as President, receiving the gavel from Cliff Lyddon. Socialite Bill Randle is the chapter's new Vice-President, with competent Jim Royer the Secretary, and Holly Thiercof vigorously attacking the job of house manager.

### *Campus Affairs*

Brother Cliff Lyddon, has launched into his job as new Senior Class President. Bill Randle is president of the International Relations Club. Sterling Madding, long the scribe for these columns, is a member of the Associated Men Students Council. Dick Ford continues his work on the Council of Religion. Paul Bimmerman, Gwin Henry, and Herb Sauerman all represent the chapter as Squires. Opening of the football season found John Rossetto and Tony Linehan in the first-string lineup.

### *Social Activities*

The social calendar reveals a series of weekly exchange lunches and buffet suppers with sororities. Rush dances held at the house, started off the semester, with music provided by the extensive platter collection of potential disc-jockey Niles Cunningham.

A Saturday evening Cord & Cotton Dance was held in the spacious rooms of the chapter house, following the S.C.-Washington State football game.

### *The Brothers*

Brothers Jim Brice and Jim Thomas were welcomed by the chapter, both having returned to school this fall semester.

Bob "Red" Robinson started off the semester by appearing at S. C.'s traditional stag smoker, sharing the spotlight to a packed gymnasium with football Coach Jeff Cravath. "Red" entertained with his own cheerful, skat style of singing, accompanied by his guitar. A headliner in chapter social affairs also, "Red" is frequently requested to sing and play his own, "Mr. Long, Lean, and Lanky Brown."

Several of the recently graduated, and older alumni, have been welcomed by the active members and pledges, upon their visits to the chapter house.

It was rumored around the house that a plaque was being prepared for Larry Dunwoody, commemorating him for his highly-varied collections of unusual part-time jobs. "It's all a part of my training," says Larry, yawning slightly with careless abandon.

### *House Hodgepodge*

While the new pledges were being introduced to their duties, the old pledge class was put through a Pledge Education and Work Week. It remains uncertain whether the scrubbing, painting, and polishing accomplished by the pledges offsets the results of their other activities.

Members of the house are pleased to have our excellent cook of last semester, Connie, back with us again.

Copies of *Pic* magazine's September 1947 issue are still to be found on desks and tables about the house, with national recognition given to the chapter's Moonlight Girl Formal, in a two-page spread of photographs. Jane Gray, a Delta Gamma pledge, was chosen *Moonlight Girl*, and awarded a statuette. Held at a beach club, near Redondo Beach, the affair was an all-day event. Swimming and sun-tanning were featured during the day, with a formal dance setting off the evening. The party was acclaimed a success by all, including *Pic* magazine.



**ALPHA DEUTERON****University of Illinois***By* DONOVAN KRAMER

As the vanguard of an estimated 19,000 students arrive on the campus, the men of Alpha Deuteron are preparing for fall rushing. Careful attention is being given to rushing this year, to instruct the majority of the members who have never previously experienced formal rushing.

Although the present chapter would easily fill the house, it was decided that as many men should be pledged as possible, to cushion the large graduations of brothers at the end of both this year's semesters. The capacity of the house was stretched to 47 without undue crowding, and room for six men was secured in the university temporary housing.

Even with these additional facilities, only nine men may be pledged. Rushing Chairman Dick DeBaugh expects to select excellent men from our long list of rushees.

Hans, our house mascot, quietly withdraws from the batteries of waxers, and vacuum cleaners. The eight-months-old pup is a German shepherd, bought to replace his name-sake, also a German shepherd, who was killed by a train after several years as the house dog.

This year's Homecoming game with Michigan, Nov. 1, should again see the "Fighting Illini" victorious. The Illini, who walked over UCLA last year to win the Rose Bowl Championship, are looking forward again to a triumphant season. Quarterback Tommy Stewart and end Joe Buscemi again represent Alpha Deuteron on the football team. Brother Stewart is Illinois' defensive quarterback, and is regarded by many sportswriters as the best Illinois passer. Brother Buscemi played on Purdue's 1943 Big Nine Championship team and finishes three year's playing for Illinois this season.

Brother Benton Odum will report for basketball practice soon. He is expected to be a strong contender for the team.

Sept. 27, besides being the day Illinois defeated Pitt 14-0, saw two Alpha Deuteron men enter the fraternity of married men. Brother Don Omohundro met his



HANS

Louisville, Ky. pin girl, Jane Ritchie, in St. Louis for the rites. Brother Dick Lasater was married to Mary Gotti, a sister of Brother Harry Gotti.

Brother Bill Eaton recently added a diamond to home town girl Coralie Lundy's jewelry collection, which has contained a Phi Sig pin for many months.

Officers elected last spring for this coming fall are: Carroll Nelson, President; Don Robinson, Secretary; Bob Pearson, Treasurer; Bob Baechle, Sentinel; and Dick DeBaugh, Inductor.

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**DELTA DEUTERON****University of Michigan***By* DICK RAPPLEY

With 21 initiates added to the active list and a new corps of officers installed, Delta Deuteron Chapter started the fall semester planning for a banner year—its best since reactivation. And it required only a three-day span to lay the groundwork for the new year.

Before classes were even under way the spring pledge class was excused from preliminary brightening of the chapter house premises, and formal initiation

took place Saturday, September 20. The group of 21 included three out-state students.

With President Art Miller presiding the following men were added to the chapter roll: Hugh G. Allerton, Jr., Detroit; R. Glenn Bauer, Pittsburgh, Penna.; Gordon F. Belgum, Ferndale; Roy H. Brogren, Detroit; James R. Burton, Lansing; Philip E. Burton, Lansing; Gustav A. Butterbach, Pinconning; Jack L. Court, Ann Arbor; W. Thomas Crossman, Grand Rapids; Rex E. Curtis, Cadillac; Louis M. Dyll, Detroit; Donald H. Gray, Ann Arbor; William F. Haberman, Hammond, Ind.; Lexie E. Herrin II, Royal Oak; Donald D. Hostetler, Detroit; Maxwell P. Iverson, Detroit; Edward G. Lipp, South Bend, Ind.; Richard M. Rappley, Flint; Leland P. Stewart, Detroit; John I. Swanson, Albion; and Philip J. West, Grand Rapids. Miller had the first and last word in the group's pledging, for he started them on their way as rushing chairman last spring. Brother Dave Pontius exercised the guiding hand of Inductor.

Just two days after initiation, the first day of the semester, the chapter had its first regular meeting with the election of officers highlighting the gathering. After the balloting was over, Brother Bill McAninch reigned as new President. Other officers named were Jim Burton, Vice-President; Howard Face, Secretary; Bill Diefenbach, Treasurer; Miller, Inductor; and Haberman, Sentinel. All but Howard Face were new in their positions. Harold M. (Cork) Adler continued to serve as Chapter Adviser.

First matter to claim the chapter's attention was rushing. Another large class was planned and Miller was again selected as Rushing Chairman.

Social events were also at the forefront with the aim to continue on a par with last spring's finals—the highly successful "Bowery Ball."

But of course, the fraternity—like the

rest of the campus—was focusing considerable attention on the football season. Talk of an unbeaten team and a Rose Bowl trip was rife, and at least two of the men seemed assured of traveling the Pasadena path if the Wolverines lived up to their rave notices. They were Glenn Bauer and Roy Brogren, members of the famed 128-piece Michigan marching band.

The chapter's musical bent doesn't stop there, however. Lee Stewart, trumpet artist, has his own orchestra playing for campus functions. His group provided the music at the "Bowery Ball."

The house roster also includes a full-fledged Army Air Forces Major, Jim Jamieson. And they're still laughing here about an incident involving Jamieson and "Private" Pontius. Right in the midst of a perfectly normal meal, the Major spoiled the Private's appetite when he tossed in a genuine K-Ration Supper package.

Needless to say Pontius sent it on its way. Pronto!

It didn't attract as much attention as the Army dog biscuits but also a bit unusual is the fact that ten of our number are in law school here. If there's strength in numbers they should be able to cope with just about any situation among the chapter house "Regulars."

And before leaving, here are congratulations to three student brothers who added "better halves" during the summer. Best of luck to Brothers Bob Smallman, Al Little, and Don Sprecker!

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### ALPHA

University of Massachusetts

By DANIEL J. MCCARTHY

INTERFRATERNITY CHAMPIONS 1946-1947 ALPHA CHAPTER, PHI SIGMA KAPPA. By virtue of our winning the Interfraternity Touch Football, Volleyball, Basketball, placing second in the Softball leagues, and winning

the Interfraternity Skits, Alpha Chapter became the Interfraternity Champions for 1946-1947 at the University of Massachusetts. The deciding factor in the Championship was the overwhelming success of our presentation of "Frankie and Johnny." The production was directed by Brothers Bud Gilman and Jim Laliberte. The Interfraternity cup and plaque will be presented to the chapter in the near future.

With the return of the Phi Sigs to the University of Massachusetts campus after the summer vacation, plans were made for a full fall social program and last minute preparations are being made for rushing which begins in November.

The Brothers immediately "turned to" and gave the outside of the house a new coat of paint, and redecorated all of the studies and bedrooms. A new rug was purchased for the living room and new chairs for the dining hall.

A bronze memorial plaque will be installed and dedicated soon. The plaque is to be a memorial to twelve Brothers of Alpha Chapter who made the Supreme Sacrifice in World War II.

The only blue note in the otherwise pleasant picture is the fact that Brother "Pop" Clark, Alpha '87, will make no more of his frequent and enjoyable visits to the house. "Pop" passed away here in Amherst last spring. Funeral services were held at the Chapter House. Brother Andrew Nelson, our former chapter president, read the Fraternity Funeral Service.

Three of the Brothers have returned to the campus as instructors and research fellows. Jim Ring, Alpha '47, is working as a research fellow in Forestry, while Ben Hadley, Alpha '47, is instructing in the same Department. "Tarz" Quinn, Alpha '42, is working on his masters degree in Zoology and is also a Lab instructor. Brothers Art Irzyk, Ozzie Mills, Jack Baier, and Dan McCarthy joined the Chapter Hymeneal during

the summer. The chapter wishes them all possible happiness in the future.

Brother Kim Gove is now studying for his masters degree in Political Science at Syracuse University. Brother Ted Brucher is studying for his doctorate in Chemistry at Yale University. Brother Andy Nelson is continuing his studies in German at Harvard University. Brother Art Irzyk is at Boston University where he is working for his masters degree in Business Administration. Our number one politician, Brother Mike Donohue, is learning how to create a "machine" at Boston University Law School. All of these Brothers are graduates of the University of Massachusetts, '47.

During the summer Brothers from Theta Deuteron and Pi Chapters paid a visit to our campus. We hope that all Brothers who are traveling in this vicinity will drop in to see us.

Serving as house officers for this semester are: President, Bruce Shufelt; Vice-President, James Laliberte; Treasurer, William Lucey; Secretary, Daniel McCarthy; Sentinel, Patrick Bresnahan; and Inductor, William Tunis. Brother Tunis is also serving as treasurer of the Interfraternity Council. Brother Herb Holden was elected to serve as our Junior representative on the Council.

We are looking forward to making this the biggest and most successful year of seventy-five years as a Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

### *Alpha Sports*

Gridiron history is expected to be made at the University of Massachusetts this year. Seasoned and skilled material is available in all positions for concrete success. A real threat to opposing New England teams is Alpha Chapter's Dave Jackson who is a hard-hitting and smooth running wingback. Since the first real intensive scrimmage, Dave has impressed the coaches with his backfield work.

Bernie Stead, standout end of a season ago, is back with added power in his

blocking and tackling to bolster the left side of the line defensively. Head Coach Tommy Eck is very happy with the presence of these two Phi Sigs.

Soccer is dominated with Alpha boys this year. Captain Joe Magri heads the list as a reliable full back. Steve Czarnecki is the scoring punch at center forward, Fred Richardson's mobility at left half aids the forward line tremendously, and Bill Tunis and Warren Gingras are also slated for starting berths. Sheldon Smith and Freddie Ziwtowski are expected to see plenty of action too. The Brothers of Alpha Chapter have a great deal to watch in these talented football and soccer players this year.

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### GAMMA

#### Cornell University

Forty brothers of Gamma returned to Ithaca ten days prior to the commencement of the fall term to prepare the house for rushing and the many events of the coming year. With the departure last June of ten brothers and the expected graduation of fourteen men during the coming year, rushing has assumed a most important role and all the men are at present busily engaged in securing a fine pledge class.

During the summer months, the brothers engaged in many activities ranging from attendance at Army Camps where several accumulated valuable time toward their commission as a Reserve Officer, to spending the summer in Ithaca attending the summer sessions of the university. Whether it was from a period of work or one of recreation, all the men returned with high enthusiasm to maintain and surpass the splendid academic average achieved by the chapter last year. Plans are already under way in other fields too with the return of alums for the Homecoming Weekend on the first of November for the Columbia game

being the major concern. Ed Sargent, '39, is heading the plans for the alumni while Doug Anderson, '50, is in charge of the undergraduate participation. With various functions being offered and the promised presence of many brothers received already, everyone here in Ithaca is planning on greeting the greatest return of Phi Sigs to Cornell on record—the long awaited Alumni Houseparty will really take place and from the outlook now, should be the best week-end yet.

Prior to the close of school in June, Brothers Tom Latimer, John Mitchell, and Bud Saunders were initiated into Quill and Dagger, the Senior Honorary Society on The Hill. Having three men from one fraternity in that distinguished organization is a most unusual feat at Cornell. In late May, the Executive Committee of the chapter met and commenced the planning of an extensive development program for Gamma. Brothers Amsler, Lindsey, Magee, Moore, Perry, and Sargent were present and some of the results of that meeting are already in the process of taking shape in several major improvements about the chapter house.

In June, a copy of the Gamma Memorial Booklet was mailed to all alumni of the chapter. Tom Latimer, as Chairman of the Gamma War Memorial Committee, secured photographs and information concerning the brothers of Gamma who were killed in the War and compiled a beautifully conceived booklet containing the military history of each brother and a tributary article written by classmates of each of the men. This booklet, made possible through the cooperation of the classmates of the brothers so honored, was also sent to the families of those men as a small token of the esteem in which they shall always be held.

July finally saw the appearance of the Gamma Alumni Directory. After ex-

hausting every possible source here at Cornell to secure the correct addresses for over six hundred alumni, the booklet was published and copies mailed to all members of the Alumni Association. This directory was compiled by the undergraduate members of the chapter and represents a great deal of work in that such a directory had never before been attempted. It has been hoped that through this project, the whereabouts of all Gamma men might be secured. If there are any alumni of Gamma who did not as yet receive a copy of this directory, such notification to the chapter would be most appreciated and the error involved in the situation will immediately be corrected.

The field of sports has this fall drawn many of the brothers into strict rules of training and preparation for the intense competition created by the greater number of students now going out for athletics at Cornell. Don Sutherland is back practicing with the Lacrosse team after suffering a broken collar bone last spring; Alf Ogden has high hopes of being on the first string Soccer Team; John Mitchell is back jumping with the Track Team while Tom Latimer again assumes the number one position on the Fencing Team. Ray Eggert is representing the house with the Football Team and does a splendid job of keeping the brothers posted on the prospects for the great football season which faces the Big Red this year. Tom Potts this year takes over the managership of the Wrestling Team and the Cornell Crew, as usual, has attracted several men of Gamma—Tom Bissell, Hank Hardy, and Tim Magee. It might here be said that Brother Bissell rowed with the Frosh down at Poughkeepsie last June in a truly beautiful race.

On September first, Brother Robert A. Doyle, Gamma '14, assumed his post as Vice-President of the University. The entire chapter is indeed proud to have

Brother Doyle back in Ithaca, on the staff of Cornell, and a brother who we hope will be seen many times about the house to aid and join in its numerous activities.

With two rather hectic days of classes having passed and at present being involved in the throes of rushing, the men of Gamma still retain an amazing amount of energy and good humor which holds all promise for a truly great year here at Cornell.

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ETA

University of Maryland

By BOB MAUL

During the summer months many of the members of Eta Chapter living near College Park visited the house regularly in order to work on the necessary improvements for our newly-acquired house so that it would be a real credit to Phi Sig. As a result when 13 brothers moved in this fall it was equipped to house the members comfortably and to make possible the serving of excellent meals. In addition to the above, before this article is in print our former cellar will have been converted into a recreation room unrivaled on the campus. Knotty pine panelling and plaster have replaced the bare concrete walls, and the furnace has been closed off from the remainder of the basement. The ceiling is panelled and has built-in lighting fixtures. All that remains to be completed is the circular "bar" which is being constructed of glass brick and leather. We hope to have pictures of our completed Rec Room in the next issue of *The SIGNET*.

The latter part of last spring we inaugurated a Parents' and Wives' Club here at Eta. They have taken a great deal of interest in our work, and their advice has proved invaluable to us. Meetings were held during the summer and the elected officers of the club kept in contact with those of our parents who do

not live near enough to College Park to attend the meetings. Donations from the Parents' and Wives' Club provided the equipment necessary for preparing meals in our kitchen. Both we and our parents have derived a great deal of pleasure from this association, and we feel that any chapter which does not already have an organization of this type would obtain the same benefits from it that we have gained at Eta.

At the present time Eta Chapter has a membership of 38 actives and 5 pledges. Rushing this year at the University of Maryland is being worked on a deferred basis and no first semester freshman may be pledged. There is at present no formal rushing program planned by the Interfraternity Council; however, we have a tentative list of eligible rushees supplied by our alums and brothers from other chapters.

Plans are now underway for our Fiftieth Anniversary celebration which will be held the latter part of November

with a banquet and dance. There will be much more to tell about that, however, in the next issue of *The Signet*.

Homecoming, November 1, is still a month away, when Maryland will play West Virginia, but we already have plans to make it a big day for Eta. It will be Open House at Phi Sigma Kappa and we are expecting a large turnout of alums. We hope at the same time to be able to entertain any of our visiting brothers from Delta.

We are anxiously watching the progress of Brother Cliff Evans, who, with George Truman, is making a round-the-world flight in light planes. We are expecting Brother Evans to be with us in February.

Last year Eta took tremendous strides to regain its pre-war position on the University of Maryland campus and we hope to continue with additional momentum this year, so that Phi Sigma Kappa will again be recognized as *THE BEST* on the "hill".



CHAPTER HOUSE

## EPSILON DEUTERON Worcester Polytechnic Institute

By PHILIP R. STANIER *and*  
RICHARD H. McMAHAN

As life at Tech completes its return to normalcy after the hectic wartime years, we find ourselves caught in a whirl of events. Interfraternity sports, rushing, dances, house improvements—all of these activities and many others demand our constant attention and consideration.

Since school opened, the brothers have spent much of their spare time readying the house for rushing and house parties, and putting the finishing touches on our living quarters. Our house manager, Tom Hunter, deserves a big hand for being our crew chief in this drive. Thanks, too, to our alumni for a new coat of paint on the house and annex, a new oil burner and boiler in the house and oil burner in the annex.

At this time, the house tennis team, led by Brother Al Raymond and Pledge John Archibald, has won three out of four matches played. The raquetteers are confident of wins in the four remaining matches—we hope they're right!

Epsilon Deuteron is well represented on Tech's football team; Brothers Ed Wilcox and Mal Ferson working at center, Art Dinsmoor and Dean Amidon filling guard spots, Al Riley at tackle, and John Fitzpatrick at halfback. Chuck Rehrig has done a particularly fine job as first string end for the hard-battling Engineers.

Two berths on the cross-country team have been ably held down by Dave and Henry Brown. Dave has been doing some splendid running since the season began. Tech's soccer team is also spirited by Phi Sigs. The aggressive goalie tactics of Bill Richie have more than once pulled the W.P.I. booters out of a tight spot. Supporting "Rich" are Don Story, Henry Mogensen, Jim Adams, and Al Raymond and Ray Costine as manager and co-manager respectively.

Since our last article in the SIGNET, many honors have been conferred on the members of Epsilon Deuteron. Skull, the Senior Honorary Society on the campus, has initiated brothers Chuck Rehrig and Al Raymond. Bob Nowell was elected president of Tech's chapter of Tau Beta Pi, while Al Raymond and Al Riley were elected to the presidencies of the Tech Council and the Athletic Association respectively. Last spring Skull awarded Brother John F. Brierly its trophy as the most outstanding freshman of the year. John was then president of his class and has recently been re-elected to that post. These are but a few of the honors that our members have brought to our chapter in the past few months.

Now, with light hearts and empty pockets, we turn to our social activities and to the fairer sex. After home football games we have been holding light suppers and informal dances, with especial welcome to those brothers and their dates who have come to Worcester to cheer their teams against Tech.

We are making many plans for Saturday, 25 October, which will be Homecoming Day for hundreds of Tech's alumni. The house will be gaily decorated and its doors and kitchen will open to the past and present Techmen of Epsilon Deuteron.

The following Saturday will bring our annual Hallowe'en House Party. It will be a week-end affair with women, music, and good times reigning for two days (at least!). Plans for decorations and entertainment are now in the process of fulfillment. Our "Punkin Promenade" promises to be "the" festive event of the fall season.

On Saturday, 18 October, it was our honor to be host to the delegates of the Region I Conclave. It was indeed a pleasure to welcome them here, and we hope they found their stay with us enjoyable.

## XI DEUTERON University of Tennessee

By GORDON SAMS

As we are now in the climax of rush week, these tired old eyes can hardly see the script before them, so bear with me my brothers for a few minutes and I will try to relate here a few of our latest achievements.

Last issue, we mentioned our plans to go "all out" in a most important U. T. political campaign. Bled for years by a powerful combination of fraternities, the Phi Sigs here combined with other Greeks to overthrow the existing tyranny and today we experience the feeling of a job well done as we look at our leaders, whom we so ably supported, administering the affairs of our student body in a fair, democratic manner.

The chief instigator of this achievement was Brother Joe Rogoski, a law student, who became one of the most influential students on our southern, slightly hilly, terrain. Through Joe's ambitious spirit and the chapter's enviable cooperation, our talent is no longer dormant; Brother Dave Dodson, the "dynamo" from Alamo, Tennessee, was immediately swept into the key position of Student Representative to the Athletic Council. Dave is the only student out of our 7,500 with a vote on U. T. athletic matters.

Political boss Joe Ragoskie trades campus "scoop" for jam talk with Thornhill vocalists Dean Williams and Fran Warren. Claude Thornhill (second from right) gets a musical opinion from Johnny Sterchi.



Yours truly was appointed Dance Chairman for the student body soon after election day; we book all local and "name" bands who perform in our school gym. Brothers Herman Hyder, "Red" Chesnutt, and Pledge Doug Bowers assist in running the all-student dances. Other eager-beavers who, with their bonds loosened, have spread over the emancipated publications set-up here are newly-elected Sentinel and Rush Chairman Glen Mays and his capable "roomie" John Wampler. These men are the "Wheels" in a splendid literary magazine, the *Tennessean*.

A little follow-up on Brother Mays: Glen was elected Rush Chairman last spring and has done one of the finest jobs in the history of Phi Sig rushing. With hordes of tempting material to choose from, Glen kept ever in his mind the wise words of advice President Brown gave us last spring at the Region III Conclave held here; "A fraternity is only a fraternity when it remains comparatively small in numbers and huge in spirit and brotherhood." Glen and his Lieutenant, Wampler, pledged strength, not numbers—roses to the deserved!

Politics, rushing and general work were slightly overshadowed a few weeks later when we again dominated the most talked about traditional U. T. social function of the season, the "Nahheeyayli" formals, which are a semi-annual event. Claude Thornhill and his famous band played for the occasion and was royally entertained in the Phi Sig house during his stay here. A gala, formal party highlighted the activities. Along with Thornhill, other guests of honor were lovely Fran Warren, Claude's female "warbler" and Dean Williams, his other talented "chirper".

The nationally known musician had high praise for Phi Sig hospitality as did Elliot Lawrence a few weeks before him (see May SIGNET). While here at the house the easy going pianist wandered



among the attentive guests, chatting and posing for "pics" with the Phi Sig love-lies (see Cut). Sultry-voiced, redheaded Fran Warren was of course completely surrounded all the while by drooling "hopefuls." Everyone, including "Miss Tennessee" and our own lovely Moonlight Girl, Miss Erie Kate Porter, had a wonderful time. Our chapter here has set a precedent at this sort of thing; we are *expected* to give these affairs in connection with the most prominent events at U. T. We haven't failed as yet!!!

As the regular school year closed, some of the men eased back to their homesteads to try to gain long lost weight, but most of our scholars stayed here to build up their one point averages; Herman Hyder ("Judge" we call him) sacrificed more than any other man, however, by staying away from his home this summer as he was absent from those famous Surgoansville "Poke Suppers."

At any rate, the summer school lads got their kicks while sweating out the heat and history. Numerous summer house dances were held. An all Negro orchestra, the "Illusioncers", highlighted these periodic outbursts; all East Tennessee is talking about this band; U. T. students keep them in constant demand; simply mad about 'em!! (Probably the reason I know so much about the 'orch' might be connected with the fact that I *own* the outfit.) We hope to take the band with us to the Blue Grass country for the Kentucky-Tennessee football game this fall and really blow the roof off our Phi Deuteron buddies' house. Look for us men; here's where we really repay that visit.

Between the Summer and Fall Quarter, "Dynamo" Dave Dodson arrived thirty days early to save his fraternity around one thousand dollars. Almost without assistance, "Dynamo" sanded the entire first floor, painted various rooms, and with Brother George Clement planned an entire "revamping" of our house.

The remainder of the chapter arrived Sept. 23 to join in; every man worked in expected fashion and now we are enthusiastically proclaimed as having one of U. T.'s most beautiful homes.

Cigar smoke has been running "Mom" into her room lately—Brother Bill Cout's chest has permanently expanded somewhat as all his Brothers congratulate him on his seven pound female increase, the prettiest baby girl in all Springfield.

All of us mourn the graduation of our most capable leaders, former prexy L. C. (Red) Howse. Red's influence will remain among our ranks for years. Very few men have taken their fraternity more seriously.

W. K. Jones has also moved out into the cruel world; a former U. T. basketball and track star, Jones' knack for reasoning will be long remembered here.

Prior to rush week, our actives climbed down from the ladders and scaffolds around the house long enough to elect officers to lead them through the Fall Quarter.

Bill Price, a capable pre-med Junior from Greenwood, Mississippi, replaced Jack Whiteside who has done a remarkable job in the driver's seat. Price has wasted no time shaping chapter plans into order for the coming year.

Claude Thornhill and Xi Deuteron's past president, Jack Whitesides (center) shake hands during the gala party given in honor of Thornhill & Company. "Miss Tennessee" runner up, Frances Lee Walker, (left) chats with vocalist Dean William, as Brother Murphy Miller and famous Fran Warren follow suit.





Solidly implanted among the ladies at one of Xi Deuteron's parties, famous bandleader Claude Thornhill beams hearty approval.

Yours truly replaced Herman Hyder in the Vice Prexy slot. Herman planned and instigated our summer social program in splendid fashion.

"Dynamo" Dodson (previously mentioned) has taken over the important Treasurer's duties. Experienced George Clement, one of our most capable men, lately voted "Best Senior", will tutor Dave.

Charles Eastland, a Junior in Electrical Engineering, has replaced Jim Evans as Inductor. "Chaz" formed a Mothers' and Wives' Club here last year which is going great guns.

Jerry Robinson has resumed his duties as Secretary, a job he has handled most efficiently.

That just about covers the high points since last issue— We are all concerned about the National Moonlight Girl selection; sounds like a good deal to us.

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## PHI DEUTERON

University of Kentucky

By "SHANK" WOODS

Since Phi Deuteron's first article over a year ago, they have hit the headlines many times.

Leading this headline parade for last spring was Clell De Spain, elected a member of the Student Government Association as the representative of Arts and Science College. Following this victory he was elected to one of the highest posts

of local fraternity life, President of the Interfraternity Council. Brother Clell was then taken into Lamp and Cross, Senior Mens' Leadership Fraternity.

Closely following Brother De Spain's heels was Brother Redwood Taylor who was elected to Scabbard and Blade and made secretary of the same organization soon afterward.

Brother Darrell Hancock, President of the Veterans' Club, was also honored by having been elected to O K, Senior Men's Honorary Fraternity.

Brother Tom Prather was selected by Lances, Junior Men's Leadership Fraternity and Pledge Dick Pigman was elected into Keys, Sophomore Honorary Fraternity, thus rounding out Phi Sig's representation on the U.K. Campus.

Brother Bill Thomas, who holds down catcher's position on U.K.'s varsity baseball team, made a perfect 3.0 standing as did Brother Bill Byron. Byron is active in ROTC as a member of Pershing Rifles and Scabbard and Blade.

Doning the Phi Sig pledge pin during the Spring Quarter were Don Dodson, Sam Osborn, Jack Asher, Dick Pigman, Pat James, Bill Robb, Charlie Clark, Bill Poe, Walter Patrick, Doug Hodges, and Dwain Rice. All were welcomed with a glad hand and have already proven their merit.

Many social functions were enjoyed by the chapter. Some of these were a party at Springhurst Club for our new initiates, numerous river parties on the Kentucky River and our usual house parties.

We enjoyed visits from out-of-town Brothers from time to time during the quarter. Our former Chapter Adviser, J. D. Williams, now Chancellor of the University of Mississippi, was our guest at a dinner in the Primrose Room of the Lafayette Hotel. He had been the principal speaker at U.K.'s 1947 graduation exercises.

In the Summer Quarter relatively little activity resulted as the chapter shrank to a mere skeleton. However many en-

joyable week-ends resulted, and again we were visited by out-of-town Phi Sigs. Several brothers attended ROTC Camp. Brothers Bert Cheek, Bill Byron and Charlie Barker received their commissions and Brother Jepson and Pledge Doug Hodges will get their bars after finishing the academic course.

At our Summer Election we chose Charlie Devitt, President; Darrell Hancock, Vice-President; Ben Pumphrey, Treasurer; Charlie Minor, Secretary; John Palumbo, Inductor; and Frank Reynolds, Sentinel.

Our only triumph in athletics during the Spring and Summer Quarters was due single-handedly to Jack Asher who beat the Spring Quarter champs easily, in the Summer Quarter to win the golf tourney. In tennis, track, and soft ball we had better than average teams but lacked just enough to carry the laurels of the tournaments.

Our Summer Quarter saw the following men become actives; Jack Asher, Walter Eads, Sam Osborn, Dick Pigman, Boyd Jesse, Walter Hogue, W. L. Patrick, William Robb and L. C. Woods. Following initiation the chapter welcomed these new brothers with a party at Springhurst.

Pledged during the summer quarter were; John Rousakis, Harold Holtzclau, Carol Houchin, Jim Lowe, Jerry Johnson, Don Rogers, Bill Spragans, Charles Wood, Don Hall, and Ed Leavens.

Starting the Fall Quarter with early rush parties and zealous cooperation by actives and pledges, we were able to pledge what we believe to be the pick of the students on the campus. These men are; Bud Lewis, Dave Eppley, Bob Nickolas, Neiland Thurman, Byron Romanowitz, Buck Wrench, Dan Tuttle, Bill Tuttle, Winfield Leathers, Henry White, Fred Ament, Jim Free, Bob Linehan, J. C. Powell, Elliott Jones, Bill Smith, Nick Odlivak, and Henry Rawlings. Great things are expected of these newcomers.

Our Fall Election saw Clell De Spain become President; Ben Pumphrey, Vice President; Gene Cecil, Treasurer; W. R. Patrick, Secretary; Al Jepson, Inductor, and Burl Phillips, Sentinel.

Newly inaugurated in our chapter has been our "House Pledge of the Year." A special committee of four actives chose him on these points; campus personality, Phi Sig personality, contributions to chapter other than monetary, grades, and adaptability to group life. The man chosen was Darrell Hancock whose name will be added to a plaque similar to our "Moonlight Girl" tablet.

Our Fall Sports Program has begun with all men fully supporting. Getting off to a late start with no practice, our Phi Sig football team lost a heartbreaker,



CHARLES DEVITT

but came roaring back the next week to win with ease. With better organization we should come out on top at the end of the season. The rest of our sports agenda

includes tennis, golf, and volley ball.

Tentative plans for the Homecoming Day Game with University of Tennessee the 22nd of November have already been made. We are expecting alumni and actives from all sections for the game and informal dance at the Phoenix Ballroom. Remembering our visit with Xi Deuteron in Knoxville last year we "sho'" do expect to repay that welcome they gave us.

So, with a full social calendar, an eager bunch of men, and minus four fine brothers, Brownie Bolton, Joe Bolton, Paul Cheap, and Dewey Campbell, these having been graduated in August, we start the new school year with a rousing "Yeah, PHI SIG." That's the scoop 'til January.

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### BETA Union College

By WILLIAM A. HIO

Beta Chapter has continued its post war program of strengthening the chapter by the initiation of five new brothers, Frederick L. Kieran, Merrick, New York; Walter J. Finnegan, Morristown, New Jersey; Konstanty K. Klim, Westfield, Massachusetts; William A. Hio, Gloversville, New York; William A. Welsh, Larchmont, New York; and E. Arthur Kean, Irvington, New Jersey. Following the Ritual a banquet in honor of the new brothers was held.

One of our active brothers, Walter J. Finnegan was wed to Miss Katherine Kelley on June 21 in Morristown, New Jersey. Brother Carleton, who has been taking advanced work in psychology here at Union, is now serving as a laboratory assistant in the psychology department. Phi Sig is the most heavily represented fraternity in the student council, for Brother Klim and Pledges Lowe, Brown and Cooke are members. Brother Klim is also president of the Tax Committee and the Newman Club, while Brother Hio heads the Christian Association. Brothers Klim and Hio make Phi Sig also the best represented

fraternity in the Board of Managers, which includes a limited number of men representing various campus activities. Also Brothers Klim, Budnik, Burmaster, and Ottaviano act as upper class advisors to the incoming freshmen.

Brother William Zimmerman, Field Secretary, visited the chapter, which is now living together in a college dormitory. Brother Zimmerman encouraged the house to strive for stronger contact with alumni and to continue our efforts to obtain a lodge.

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### BETA TRITON Knox College

The 1947-48 college year is looking mighty bright for Beta Triton Chapter, at the Knox College Fall Quarter gets under way. All the brothers came back to school a week early in order to help fix up the fraternity house, and really did a bang-up job on it. Many of the rooms now have new desks, chests-of-drawers and furnishings to add to the looks of the house; the chapter also purchased some new carpeting for the front stairway.

Brothers Glen LeFevre and Willie Wollman represent Phi Sig on the Knox varsity grid squad, playing guard and tackle respectively. Also, out for the freshman football team are many of Beta Triton's new pledges.

Two of the brothers have recently become esteemed members of the exclusive "I Hung my Pin" club, namely, Jack Bonavia and Fred Tress, who both got pinned to home-town girls this summer. That brings the current score up to two married, five pinned, and the rest still looking——!

At 8 o'clock, Saturday morning, Oct. 4, thirteen men were added to the fold as new pledges, after two weeks of formal and informal rushing. The list of pledges includes John Jeffers, Fritz Fletcher, Dick Stevens, Bill Sinclair, Don Kowal-

ski, Jim Calamari, Nick Willard, Jim Horath, Ralph Beebe, George Sano, Dave Trimble, Bob Ryder, and Dick Allen.

All in all, Beta Triton hopes to have a very successful year, athletically, socially and scholastically. With all the fine resources on hand and those to come, the chapter can't help coming out on top.

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## PI DEUTERON

Ohio State University

By DANIEL M. GARST

New faces seem to be the rule rather than the exception at Pi Deuteron this fall. With the advent of a new chapter house, rushing and pledging, the selection of our housemother, Mrs. Smith, and the aid from our alumni, Phi Sigma Kappa has taken a firmer hold upon fraternity life at Ohio State. Individual names of all those who made acquisition and occupation of our house possible are too numerous to mention at this time. However, we want to express our gratitude to everyone who had a part in this project.

The fellows point with pride to our new house, and not without good reason. It is located only four houses from the main entrance to the campus and right on fraternity row. The house will hold twenty-six men and will feed many more. Our secretary, Ralph Snyder, who is majoring in interior decorating, has assumed the job of selecting new furniture and equipment for the house.

Our watchword for rushing this fall has been quality instead of quantity. The number of new pledges after one week of school now stands at seven. They are Roger Leatherman, Dick Walsh, Charles Thomas, Herbert Buerger, Felix Pumbo, Rebell Strollo, and Julio Di Benedetto. The pledge class will be further increased during the next few weeks.

During the summer, three Phi Sig badges found their way to other and more complimentary resting places. The

three Brothers who planted their pins are Jerry Frost, Warren Sinkhorn, and Ralph Snyder. They returned to school with broad grins, but these soon disappeared when rumors of their being thrown into Mirrow Lake were circulated around the chapter house.

Two news items occurred too late last fall to be included in the May, 1947 issue of The SIGNET. The first was our Moonlight Girl Formal and the selection of a Moonlight Girl. The lucky girl was Miss Betty J. Burnside. But that wasn't enough for Betty. Recently she really became a member of the Phi Sig family by becoming the bride of Brother Earl C. Hayes. The other bit of news concerns the election and installation of officers. They are as follows: Bill Condon, President; Harry Lyle, Vice-President; Ralph Snyder, Secretary; Joe Shaw, Treasurer; Jerry Frost, Inductor; and Dick Conrad, Sentinel.

Our chapter roll was increased with the return to school of Ken Diehl, Bob Hammond, and Jim Tuttle. Two Phi Sig transfer students have chosen Ohio State as their new alma mater. They are Brothers Dan Ramicone from Eta Triton and John Pfahl, a graduate student from Kappa.

Edward S. (Beanie) Drake, our advisor, has just returned from Burnsville, North Carolina, where he spent the summer at the Nu-Wray Hotel.

Along with the return to school comes also intramural events. Pi Deuteron will be in there fighting hard for new trophies. Our football team is ready for its first contest within the next few days. The bowling, volley ball, and horse-shoe pitching teams will go into action as soon as the leagues are formed.

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## THETA TRITON

University of Texas

By ROBERT M. ADAMS

Theta Triton, which was activated last May, has started off on its first year as a



CORNER OF THE  
LIVING ROOM



THETA TRITON  
CHAPTER HOUSE

Left to right: Pledge Pratt  
and Brothers McNair and  
Adams.



VIEW OF THE DINING  
ROOM

new fraternity on the University of Texas campus. Everything has gone very successfully since this chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa has opened its doors. We have been greeted by a spirit of friendship and cooperation from the other fraternities here which, along with the hard work of the members of Theta Triton, has put this chapter in a favorable position on the University of Texas campus.

All of the men are proud of the chapter house which we now have, although some work is still in progress. The inside of the house is very nicely furnished, thanks to the fine work of Mrs. Pratt, our housemother. The downstairs living rooms have wall to wall floor coverings and beautiful sectional furniture. The Phi Sigs believe that they have one of the most nicely furnished houses on the campus and are looking forward to entertaining a great deal this year.

This semester Theta Triton has a pledge class of eighteen men and the chapter was quite successful in rush week activities, especially since none of the men had ever conducted a rush program before.

Chapter officers for this semester are: President, Douglass McNair; Vice-President, William Pfennig; Secretary, Lloyd K. Elliott; Treasurer, Lee Cochran; Sentinel, George Chaney; and Inductor, J. Clark Jenkins.

We feel very proud and gratified at the way in which the Phi Sig alumni in Texas have shown an interest in us. One of the key Phi Sig alumnus has been Mr. E. L. Howell of Houston, Texas, who has been instrumental in organizing the San Jacinto alumni club. Three members of Theta Triton, Bob Adams, Douglass McNair, and Roy Gafford, were recently given the opportunity to meet with the Phi Sig alumni in Houston and were very much impressed with the interest and spirit shown. We were also honored recently by a visit from Mr. F. L. Hurley of Longview, Texas. He was very help-

ful with suggestions to meet some of our problems and we hope that he will come down this way as often as he can. We wish to invite all Phi Sig alumni to visit us whenever they can. Our address is 709 West 23rd Street and the telephone numbers are 80060 and 70168.

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### STAHR RESIGNS PRESIDENCY OF HOOD COLLEGE

Dr. Henry I. Stahr, Pi '01, President of Hood College, Frederick, Maryland since 1934, concluded the College's commencement exercises by announcing his resignation. Brother Stahr's retirement will take effect next June.

Asked why he wanted to leave when everything was going so well and the college appeared to be in flourishing condition, Dr. Stahr said, "That's precisely the point. It is always better to go before people begin to wonder why you don't go. I have been through an experience like this once before. I was pastor of the Christ Reformed Church in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania for ten years and resigned while every one seemed happy. As a result, I can go back to Bethlehem at any time and the people there are all friends of mine."

Brother Stahr will have just as many friends in Frederick. It was during his administration, in 1940, that the Association of American Colleges and Universities placed Hood on its approved list. The final step in obtaining accreditation was the assurance that a thoroughly modern library would be built. It was completed in 1941.

Among other academic developments during Dr. Stahr's term were the introduction of comprehensive examinations, an honors program, the Army plan of intensive language study, courses in "general education," and expanded offerings in art.

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# Charter Granted Rhode Island State

On December 16, 1947 the Expansion Committee of the Council of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa granted the Order of Phi Sigma of Rhode Island State College a charter in Phi Sigma Kappa. The petitioners will become the Lambda Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa on February 6, 7, and 8, the date set for their induction.

The Order of Phi Sigma was founded in 1925 by a group of students living off campus at Rhode Island State College, who desired to preserve their friendship by closer ties. The first meetings were held in a colonial mansion known as Tavern Hall. Subsequently the fraternity acquired a house of its own which it occupied until 1933, when the present house was purchased.

For ten years the order flourished. In

June, 1943 most of its members had joined the armed forces and others were going to in a short time, with the result that the house was closed for the duration. In 1945 the college utilized the house as a dormitory, under the provisions of the fraternity pool. By the autumn of 1946 many of the old members had returned to college and Phi Sigma was reactivated. New men were pledged and once again Phi Sigma regained its normal membership.

Phi Sigma has always been active in all college extra-curricular activities and athletics. It is represented in varsity football, intercollegiate dinghy racing, camera club, debating, honor and professional societies, and various other organizations.

Rhode Island State College was found-

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ed in 1888, on the site of the "Oliver Watson Farm" in South Kingstown, Rhode Island as a state agricultural school under the provisions of the Hatch Act and the earlier Morrill Act.

In 1892 the institution was established as the Rhode College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. The first class of 17 members graduated in June of 1894.

The curricula originally consisted of agriculture, science, and engineering. A course in home economics was added in 1908, and one in business administration added in 1923.

In 1909 the name of the institution was changed by charter amendment to Rhode Island State College. With the entrance of the United States into the first World War, academic work was suspended on April 28, 1918, although a unit known as the Student Army Training Corps made use of the college facilities, and in January, 1919, normal academic activities were resumed.

From its founding until 1935, the college was governed by a Board of Managers, and in the four years following, by a Board of Regents, who also governed the Rhode Island College of Education. In 1939 both colleges were put under the management of a seven member Board of Trustees.

Shortly after the entry of the United States into the Second World War, a program especially accelerated for the emergency was initiated. The presence of the A. S. T. P. personnel was instrumental in keeping the college active through the war years.

After the cessation of hostilities, the trickle of returning veterans gradually became a torrent, and to meet the demand of the new record enrollment, a group of quonset huts, acquired from the Navy, were erected on the campus as temporary dormitories. These were the first in the United States to be used for this purpose and the idea was soon adopted by colleges all over the country. In 1946

a new extensive building program was planned which was almost unanimously approved in a popular referendum.

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### HARTWICK PETITION BEFORE COUNCIL

The Expansion Committee of the Council of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa has before it for consideration a petition of the members of Alpha Delta Omega Fraternity of Hartwick College, Oneonta, New York for a charter.

Alpha Delta Omega, organized in 1933, is the oldest fraternity at Hartwick College.

Hartwick College, as an outgrowth of Hartwick Seminary, has behind it the history and traditions of the oldest Lutheran school in the United States and the third oldest institution of higher learning in New York State.

Hartwick Seminary was established in 1797 under the provisions of the will of the Rev. John Christopher Hartwick, a missionary pastor of the Lutheran Church.

Hartwick College was started in the fall of 1928 as a College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. On February 19, 1931, the Regents of the State of New York granted the College an absolute and permanent charter and placed it on the list of approved and registered standard colleges of the State. Hartwick College is also a member of the Association of American Colleges.

In considering the petition of Alpha Delta Omega, the Expansion Committee is not unmindful of the proud record of Rho Deuteron Chapter, granted a charter by Phi Sigma Kappa in 1925 at Gettysburg College, another Lutheran college established by the same Lutheran Order and influences.

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Elmer C. Bohlen, Nu '39, is working with the Chase Brass and Copper Company at Waterbury, Connecticut.



# Dr. Herman, Chaplain of Phi Sigma Kappa, Dies

Dr. Stewart Winfield Herman, Rho Deuteron '99, Chaplain of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa since 1934 and pastor of the Zion Lutheran Church in Harrisburg since 1904, died in Harrisburg on December 16, 1947.

Brother Herman was born in York, Pennsylvania, November 17, 1878, the son of Simon Henry and Mary Lydia Rupp Herman. He attended the York County Academy and was graduated from Gettysburg College in 1899 with the degree of bachelor of arts. He received the degrees of master of arts in 1902 and doctor of divinity in 1919 from Gettysburg Theological Seminary in 1902, he was awarded a degree of doctor of divinity from Carthage College, Illinois, in 1917.

He was ordained in 1902 and served as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Wrightsville, for a year and a half before going to Harrisburg. He married the former Miss Mary O'Neil Benner, of Gettysburg, on October 21, 1908, and they had four children, the Rev. Dr. Stewart Winfield Herman, Jr.; Miss Mary Elizabeth Herman, a captain in the Women's Army Corps in Hawaii; Martha Jane, now Mrs. Carl Chronister, Paxtang, and the late Janice Benner Herman.

Doctor Herman was a trustee of the former Irving College, Mechanicsburg, and Grace College, Washington, D. C.; president of the Lutheran Historical Society and president of the Harrisburg Alumni Association of Gettysburg College. He was secretary of the Harrisburg Ministerium for 10 years and a member of the Lions Club, Torch Club, the old University Club and Executive Club.

Active in religious affairs in Pennsylvania for more than 40 years, he came to

Zion Lutheran Church in 1904 as assistant to the Rev. Dr. David M. Gilbert, pastor. When Doctor Gilbert died two



STEWART W. HERMAN

years later, Doctor Herman became pastor of the church.

During his pastorate membership of the 157-year-old congregation increased from 758 to more than 2300 the church celebrated its 150th anniversary of its founding, the 100th anniversary of the present building in South Fourth street, and opened the Croll Keller Memorial Annex to provide more facilities for the Sunday School.

He served in offices of the Central Pennsylvania Synod of the United Lutheran Church and the Pennsylvania Council of Churches.

In the program of the United Lutheran Church of America he served as presi-

dent of the Board of Foreign Missions from 1930 to 1938, president of the Publications Board from 1934 to 1942, and member of the investment commission from 1931 to 1938.

In 1914 and 1915 Doctor Herman was president of the old East Pennsylvania Synod, which merged in 1938 with the West Pennsylvania, Susquehanna and Allegheny synods to become the Central Pennsylvania Synod.

Since 1906 he had been secretary of the Pennsylvania Council of Churches. He was president of Gettysburg Lutheran Summer Assembly in 1912, and was a member of the Synodical Mission Board and examining committee of the East Pennsylvania Synod, and synodical director of Lutheran World Action for the Central Pennsylvania Synod.

Brother Herman was a trustee of Gettysburg College since 1939. In 1946 Gettysburg College conferred upon him the Alumni Meritorious Service Award for outstanding service to Gettysburg College. In commenting upon Dr. Herman's death Dr. Henry W. Hanson, President of Gettysburg College, issued the following statement:

"I have prized the friendship that existed between Dr. Herman and myself for the past 40 years. He was associated with me at Gettysburg seminary (from 1901 through 1903) and we were closely associated through most of our lives. He was a devoted Christian gentleman and his influence in Harrisburg was community-wide. The Lutheran church loses a beloved and distinguished leader."

Brother Herman was a 33rd degree Mason (see January, 1945 SIGNET, Page 26). He was a member of Harrisburg Lodge, No. 629, Free and Accepted Masons; Harrisburg Consistory, Scottish Rite Masons; Harrisburg Council, No. 7, Select Masters; Pilgrim Commandery, No. 11, Knights Templar, and Trinity Conclave, No. 4, Red Rose of Constantine.

Brother Herman was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

A Harrisburg newspaper in commenting upon Dr. Herman's death editorially made the following statement:

"The death of the Rev. Dr. Stewart Winfield Herman, for 40 years pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, brings sorrow to a congregation where he was beloved, to wide circles of Masonic brethren and to many more persons in this community and beyond.

Outstanding among his talents was an ability to get along with people and do it without effort. His interests were not all centered in the historic church he led for so many years nor were his services by any means limited to that large institution and the denomination in which it was a unit.

His old college sought his services. Masonry was a quarter in which he was conspicuous and enthusiastic. He was identified with clubs and organizations with advance of culture as their aim. Forty years a resident of this city, virtually his entire pastorate save for a few years, Doctor Herman acquired the title of an "old resident." His friends will miss him more than at the moment they realize."

Dr. Herman was an eloquent speaker. Contrary to what is true of so many speakers of that type, Dr. Herman always had a significant message. His loyalty and devotion to Phi Sigma Kappa will always be remembered—a true brother, a scholar, a molder of character. Phi Sigma Kappa and all who knew him will miss him tremendously.

National President Herbert L. Brown represented the Grand Chapter at Dr. Herman's funeral. The undergraduates were represented by members of Rho Deuteron Chapter.

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**Wilfred F. Hoescher**, Alpha Deuteron '35, after six years in the army and War Department Service, has obtained a position as assistant treasurer of the Granite City Steel Company.

# Is Europe Worth Helping?

By STEWART W. HERMAN, JR., *Rho Deuteron*, '30

Since coming home from Europe, after more than two and one-half years abroad, one of the questions which Americans constantly ask me is, "Is Europe worth helping?"

This question is, of course, bound up with the Marshall Plan and the debate as to whether food and clothing, let alone large governmental gifts or loans, should be sent abroad. To many Americans it seems as though the Red Army will be camping on the English Channel before another year is over. Consequently, what is the point in sending good money after bad?

It is true that all Europe — like Gaul in Roman days — is divided into three parts. First of all there are the countries which were liberated by the D-Day invasion



STEWART W. HERMAN, JR.

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Editor's Note: Brother Stewart W. Herman, Jr., *Rho Deuteron* '30, son of the late Stewart W. Herman, *Rho Deuteron* '99, former Chaplain of our Fraternity, went to Europe in 1934 to do graduate work. He was awarded a fellowship at the University of Strasbourg and in the following year received a French Baccalaureate from that institution.

The next year he accepted a fellowship at the University of Goettingen in Germany and it was from there that he was called to the pastorate of the interdenominational American Church in Berlin. For six years he served the American colony.

In 1939 he was also employed by the State Department of the United States government as a member of the American Embassy staff in Berlin. Carrying on the pastoral duties of a congregation of about 600 Americans, and a full time Embassy job kept Brother Herman exceedingly busy until December 11, 1941 when Germany declared war on the United States.

Shortly thereafter Brother Herman together with other American officialdom was interned at Bad Nauheim (see October, 1942 *SIGNET*, Page 267—January, 1943 *SIGNET*, Page 5). Though his return to the United States on the Grottningholm was uneventful, he had several more exciting experiences as a result of his missions to Europe in an official capacity during the later years of the war. Immediately following the cessation of hostilities, he again returned to Europe, this time to Switzerland where he remained until his return to the United States last autumn.

and are now free to run their own economy. Secondly, there are ex-enemy countries which were conquered and are now occupied by the Big Four. Thirdly, there are the countries "behind the Iron Curtain" where Russia dictates what happens.

There is no doubt that great need exists in each of these three groups, but in different degrees. In Holland, Belgium, and Denmark, for example, national governments have managed to take hold of the post-war recovery program and rapid progress is being made toward what could be called "normalcy." There are other countries in this group, however, such as France and Italy where the economic situation continues to be critical, largely because of Communist activity. The situation is probably the worst in France because of the complete demoralization of the people. In Italy the factories and farms are producing, but many Italians simply do not have the money to maintain a decent standard of living.

In the second group of countries which actually consists of Germany and Austria, economic recovery is hampered seriously by military occupation, which is never conducive to anything more con-

structive than the maintenance of a status quo. It is doubtful whether Austria will ever be able to function as a national unit even under the most favorable circumstances, but Germany, on the other hand, could recover economically if left to her own devices. The danger in leaving Germany alone is, however, considered to be very great because of possible political consequences. People who have not seen post-war Germany imagine that German ingenuity and efficiency might be able to conjure up another war out of the rubble and ashes of destruction.

It is interesting to notice how American opinion regarding Germany has changed since V-E Day. Even before the end of the war cynics prophesied that we would probably be helping Germany before many years had passed and, of course, they were right. Little by little our military authorities have seen that Germany constitutes the industrial heart of Europe, without which recovery on the continent is virtually impossible. In fact, it is difficult for any sane and responsible observer to believe that America inaugurated her peace policy with a modified version of the so-called Morgenthau Plan which was calculated to transform Germany into an agricultural country. Whether we like it or not, Germany has the know-how and a healthy Germany is a prerequisite for a healthy Europe.

Today Germany is abysmally poor. The average German is getting along on less than 1550 calories per day, which is the food value of an ordinary American breakfast. There have been more casualties in Germany from starvation and freezing since Hitler's death than there were in the whole course of the war. These thousands of deaths do not tend to assist in the re-education of Germany, which must look forward to a gradual reduction of population which in 1970 or earlier will perhaps stabilize itself at 40,000,000 people.

This means that 20,000,000 or more

Germans will die. There is one other way of reducing the German population, namely, to permit large numbers of them to emigrate to other parts of the world, but the doors of the world today are closed to Germans and will remain closed for years to come. We are still letting them "stew in their own juice."

Many Americans say that if they are going to die off anyhow, why bother to send them inadequate quantities of food which will enable them to struggle on for a few more years? If they have got to die anyhow, why not cut off the food right now until 20,000,000 have perished, then begin the program of recovery when the population has reached 40,000,000? From a cold-blooded point of view, the case is well put, but the prospect of pursuing it violates every Christian principle to which we at least pay lip service.

There is, of course, a possibility that the Germans will die off and that babies will not be born. The Russian regime is toying with the idea of legalizing abortion in order that young mothers may be able to kill their babies before birth, in cases where they cannot afford to feed them. During the last year six times as many people died in Berlin as were born. At this rate the population of Germany will decrease rapidly, but it is not likely that a better Germany will result.

In the third group of countries, namely, those behind the "Iron Curtain," Russia is sole arbiter of destiny, and the Marshall program of the United States will not play any direct role, although the importance of its indirect role should not be overlooked. Presumably, the eastern governments will not accept American money on such terms as we will insist on specifying. Probably the only way that the American desire to help Europe will be felt in this whole area will come through the voluntary agencies, chiefly the Christian Churches, which at the present time are sending food and clothing into Po-

land, Roumania, Hungary, and Czechoslovakia in fairly large quantities. It is more difficult to reach Bulgaria and Yugoslavia where only limited quantities of aid have been forwarded because of the already precarious position of the churches.

The significance of Christian help throughout Europe should not be overlooked by any American who likes to believe that his nation still adheres to a "good neighbor" policy. At a time when American post-war policy has been weak and vacillating, thereby disappointing many of our friends in Europe, the Christian agencies have jumped into the breach and have extended a warm hand of genuine fellowship across all the boundaries. Aid is sent where it is needed most, regardless of the political situation or prospective propaganda value. Thus Church World Service has picked out three main areas of need in Europe which must receive priority attention this winter, namely, Austria, Roumania, Germany, plus parts of other countries.

In terms of national policy, a few remarks may be pertinent. For example, it is absolutely certain that the crisis in Europe cannot be met by the charity of Americans who send individual food parcels across the Atlantic Ocean. To be sure, these food parcels make many friends, but it is also true that many of them are lost in the Black Market. Moreover, the situation in Europe is much too big for the voluntary agencies to handle. It is unfortunate that two years elapsed between the end of the war and the proposal which Secretary of State Marshall made at Harvard in June, 1947; for the Marshall Plan is the first real ray of hope that we have given of our genuine desire to make a constructive contribution to post-war recovery. Naturally, there are many Europeans—and not all of them are behind the "Iron Curtain" or in the Communist Party—who feel that American gifts are merely capitalistic bribes or

the charity of an imperialistic power. This fact should not be overlooked or underestimated by those of us who are inclined to become indignant when insidious motives are attributed to our native generosity.

Only immediate help on a very large scale will succeed in preventing total economic collapse in many sections of the Old World. Only such help will succeed in convincing all Europeans that America is in dead earnest about winning the peace. Whether this help will eventually keep Russia from marching westward is a matter that depends not only upon the Marshall Plan but upon many other factors. At present we have a choice: either to stop our help to Europe and thus deliberately abdicate our position as a world power, or to help Europe as much as we can in the hope that we may eventually regain the prestige and influence which have already been sacrificed.

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### OMICRON ALUMNI MEETING CHIT-CHAT

The following are notes taken at the Omicron Alumni Association meeting in Boston, Massachusetts on November 22.

Ed Harris, Omicron '40, is now married and living in Baltimore.

Joe Kalman, Omicron '41, is employed at the American Machine Foundry Company in Brooklyn.

Brad Newcomb, Omicron '40, is teaching at Michigan State College. He is married and the father of two children.

Norris Ruckman, Omicron '34, is with the DuPont Company in Wilmington, Delaware.

Edward Butler, Omicron '46, was disappointed in that more of his classmates did not attend the meeting. Brother Butler is working for Westinghouse in Readville, Massachusetts.

Fred Howell, Omicron '47, is now with the American Gas Company in N. Y.

# Bentley's Galley

JULIAN BENTLEY, Beta Triton '30  
News Commentator for  
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No day passes without frequent mention on the news wires of the word "communism." The cables, of course, carry frequent reference to it in the political differences between Russia and her near neighbors on the one side, and the western powers on the other. It was a factor in the much discussed recent French election. It comes into the news frequently in the application of the so-called Truman doctrine of aid to nations whose independence seems to be threatened by communistic pressure or infiltration. In Washington a House Committee investigated alleged communism in the Hollywood film industry. It is a term we use daily and perhaps without having its exact definition in mind. It might be profitable to examine the term and the doctrine and to look just briefly at its history.

In the first place pure communism as such does not exist anywhere in the world today. Not even in Russia. Webster defines the word as follows: "A system of social organization in which goods are held in common." That's Webster's number one definition. This third choice would seem to come closer to what we understand as the situation in Russia today. Definition number three reads: "Any system of social organization involving common ownership of the agents of production and some approach to

equal distribution of the products of industry."

That would seem to be more like it. For we know that to a certain extent, private property exists in Russia today. Returned correspondents have testified that the Soviets have had to adopt certain of the sound practices of capitalism which they have always professed to abhor. Early in the Soviet experiment they found it necessary to drop their idealistic idea that they could organize a state in which "each would contribute according to his ability and receive according to his need." So in Russia today there is a privileged class of bureaucrats, high government officials, scientists and to some extent, technicians. Various incentives in the form of prizes, state awards and paid vacations are also standard institutions of Soviet Russia which are a far cry from the doctrine of Marx and Engels.

It is just 99 years since Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels issued the pamphlet called "The Communist Manifesto." Communists from many nations assembled in London and decided to issue the Manifesto in English, French, German, Italian, Danish and Flemish. It was a doctrine founded on the theory of pure socialism including possession by the state of the means of production, land, transport, communications, capital, and doing away with all rights of inheritance and

the confiscation of property of all rebels or those who fled from the new system. Point number ten called for free education for all children in public schools. Marx and Engels admitted in their manifesto that it probably would be some time before such a society could be set up. And they calmly predicted a grim struggle before the proletariat finally came out on top.

The idea and theory of communism did not spring full blown from the minds of Marx and Engels. Earlier, there had been a number of so-called communistic or semi-communistic movements. Usually these had a strong religious flavor. Several of these Utopian societies had their brief day here in America. We can cite the New Harmony, Indiana, colony of Robert Dale Owen; the Scandinavian settlement at Bishop Hill, Illinois; the Door County, Wisconsin community established by Nils Otto Tank, and the several experiments in New York State, notably Brook Farm. Life in a frontier settlement in a sense encouraged communistic practice to a degree. The practice of pooling labor is still followed in farm communities although the one-man combine grain harvester and the field ensilage cutter are finally doing away with even that last vestige of communal effort. And the American pioneer on his westward way was never communistic to the point of sharing or pooling the fruits of the field in one common storehouse upon which all could draw.

As we have observed, the government in Soviet Russia today is, in many respects, a far cry from the doctrine of Marx and Engels. What does modern communism propose and wherein lie its radical differences from democracy as we know it?

First of all, there is this great difference. Communism, as well as fascism, is based on the idea that the individual should serve the state. Our democracy stresses the belief that the state should

serve the individual. We believe the purpose of government is to promote the welfare of the people, not the welfare of a bureaucratic government class.

Second, is another great principle of our democracy the idea of freedom and civil liberties — freedom of speech, press, assembly, worship and the other freedoms of the Bill of Rights. In general, freedom in our democracy has come to mean that each man's freedom extends to the point where the next man's begin. For example, we do not go into a crowded theatre and shout "Fire!" just for the fun of it. The Communists will tell you that they too have freedom of press and speech and so on. But on the basis of news out of Russia, it is fair to say that in the 30 years since the Revolution they have not established anything that we would recognize as our kind of freedom.

A third thing which democracy means to most of us is a right to make a profit under a capitalist economic system. The Communists would have you believe that capitalism and the profit system must be abolished before real democracy can be established. They would have a difficult time selling that idea to most Americans. Today it was revealed by the Moscow press that Soviet Russia will do all in her power to wreck the Marshall Plan of aid to Europe. At the recent nine-nation conference of Communists, the number two man in Russia, Andrei Zhdanov, declared that if European nations would refuse what he called American "slave loan conditions" the United States would be faced with an economic crisis because nobody overseas would want American products.

In this country we believe in evolutionary processes for reaching the goals of democracy. Sometimes, we must admit, our progress seems slow. Yet we do progress. Modern communism, as interpreted by Lenin from 1917, has stressed revolutionary rather than evolutionary developments in achieving its ends. Communism

regards revolution and an ensuing dictatorship by the proletariat as a necessary transition period on the march toward some distant free and equal society. In that distant day, there would be a classless society and the need for restrictive government controls would disappear. . . . So runs the Communist argument. It is not an argument that would attract most Americans. Yet Communists have in recent years adopted a slogan to the effect that "communism is 20th century democracy." It is certainly not that in the American sense of the term. So in considering the news from day to day we might do well to keep in mind some of the things that communism really is.

### SAN JACINTO CLUB NEWS

Members of the San Jacinto Club, Houston, Texas alumni club of Phi Sigma Kappa, visited the Theta Triton chapter house in Austin on October 9th.

Harry Hartman, Chief Engineer of the Humble Refinery at Baytown, Gamma '26 sent in his charter membership. Harry is up to his ears in work keeping the Baytown Refinery operating.

Bob Cruise came in from Beaumont with checks from Byron Weiss, Jr., also from famous Gamma, class of '34, and George Sonfield of Lambda '22.

The Lambda '22 class is certainly active; it contains four men in Dallas, John Frey, Thomas McKee, Harold Young and George Hughes; one in Longview, Fritz Hurley, George Sonfield in Beaumont and Dean Jackson at Baylor. It seems like the whole senior class of Lambda '22 found out early what it has taken us over these long years to learn—Texas is the best place to live.

D. Benedum from San Antonio is registered as a charter member.

James White from Del Rio says "Count me in on the bunch." He wrote us a very nice letter. Jimmie is an attorney in Del Rio.

There are fifty-seven known Phi Sigs in

the State; nineteen are charter members of this club that belongs to all Texas Phi Sigs. Ten in Houston; one in Shreveport; three in Beaumont; one in Longview; two in Harlingen one in San Antonio and one in Baytown.

Fritz Hurley, from Longview, visited the Texas campus with Mrs. Hurley in his nice new Cadillac; sure made the boys feel good to have them visit the chapter.

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### DID YOU KNOW

that Paul Goebel, Delta Deuteron '23, was one of the officials at the Army-Notre Dame game.

Brother Goebel as Captain and end of the 1922 Wolverines led his team through the season undefeated. He was an excellent student at the University of Michigan where he was a member of Tau Beta Pi, Engineering Honorary Scholastic Society. During his four years in college he consistently led Delta Deuteron in scholarship. When others were calling them on Paul, this is what Powers of the "New York Evening Post" had to say of him.

"Officials and scouts practically were unanimous in naming Goebel and Kirk of Michigan as the most efficient ends of the conference. They are a pair of wingmen with remarkable speed in getting down the field and covering kicks; strong in giving interference and in breaking it up and sifting through into the opposing backfields. Both were good defensive men, reliable in blocking and tackling. As receivers of passes they were without equals.

"Goebel also was an accurate goal kicker and passer and frequently was called into the backfield for these plays. Ability to quickly diagnose plays further accentuated their value to their team. Goebel stood out above Kirk at the start of the season, but at the conclusion the two ran on equal terms."

Now Paul is doing the calling.



## *Moonlight Pulchritude*

On the following three pages the SIGNET presents to you the 26 candidates for the honor of Phi Sig Moonlight Girl. I think you will agree that the chapters that sponsored these young ladies have done a marvelous job. No beauty section of a college year book or theatrical brochure ever presented such a galaxy of beauty. To select the Phi Sig Moonlight Girl from this lovely group is going to be a most difficult task, but a pleasant one, indeed.

Ballots will be mailed to each of the chapters, each undergraduate member and pledge being entitled to one vote. Ballots for the alumni who are eligible to vote will be enclosed with their copy of the SIGNET. Alumni eligible to vote are national officers (see directory of officers page), chapter advisers, endowment donors, paid-up life members, and alumni dues payers. If you are an alumnus falling in any of the above categories and did not receive a ballot with your copy of the SIGNET, please write the National Headquarters for one at once. All alumni eligible to vote are urged to do so because it is the aim of the SIGNET that

the girl selected as the Phi Sig Moonlight girl be the popular choice of the fraternity, undergraduates and alumni included.

The six young ladies receiving the largest number of votes will have their pictures published in the March 1948 SIGNET. With the publication of that issue of the SIGNET, the undergraduates and eligible alumni will be asked to select the Phi Sig Moonlight Girl from among the six finalists. The picture of the winner will be published in the May 1948 SIGNET. The winner will be the guest of the Grand Chapter at the Diamond Jubilee Convention at the Somerset Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts August 11 through 14, 1948. As previously announced in the SIGNET her round trip travel expense to this convention by first-class railroad will be paid from the place of her residence.

To each of these girls favored by our January Moon go the best wishes of the SIGNET that she also be favored by the light of our March Moon, and may the May Moon glow upon you with all its radiance as our Phi Sig Moonlight Girl.



The above scene was duplicated many times in the holding of parties by the various chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa seeking to select their Moonlight Girl. Some candidates were selected at such parties. Others were honored at parties after selections made in other ways.

# *Moonlight Girl Candidates*



*One*



*Two*



*Three*



*Four*



*Five*



*Six*



*Seven*



*Eight*



*Nine*

# *Moonlight Girl Candidates*



*Ten*



*Eleven*



*Twelve*



*Fourteen*



*Fifteen*



*Sixteen*



*Seventeen*



*Eighteen*

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# *Moonlight Girl Candidates*



*Nineteen*



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*Twenty-one*



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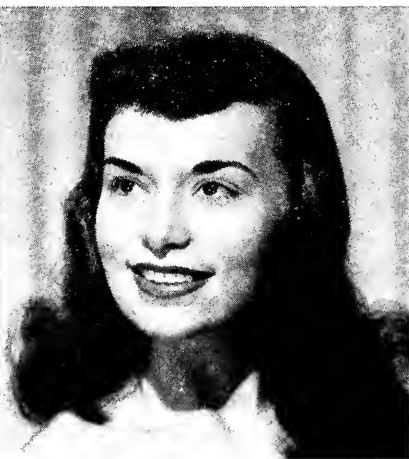
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# Convention of Phi Sigma Kappa

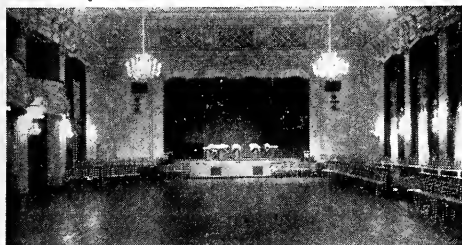
The Somerset Hotel, Boston, Mass.

August 11-14, 1948

One of Boston's finer hotels, The Somerset is situated amidst the serene surroundings of Boston's renowned Com-

monwealth Avenue, and is representative of the luxury, dignity and genuine hospitality of New England.

among New Englanders and travelers from every corner of the globe. During World War II, The Somerset made its contribution. It was utilized by the United States Navy for two years, housing more than 1500 men daily for training marine mechanics.



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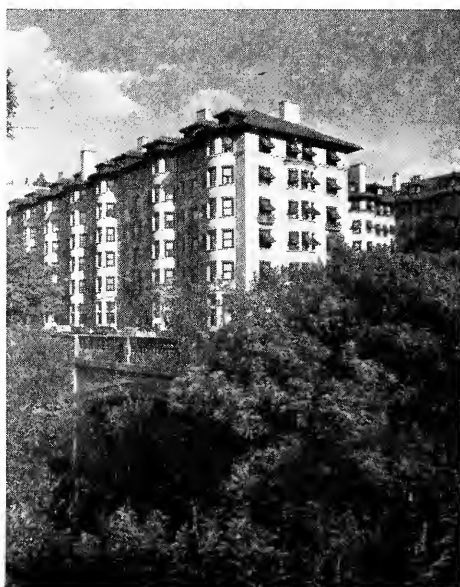
LOUIS XIV ROOM

Where we will hold our Moonlight Girl  
Dinner Dance

monwealth Avenue, and is representative of the luxury, dignity and genuine hospitality of New England.

Built at the dawn of the 20th century, it was not long before it earned a reputation as "the place where the best people convened," and necessitated the erection of a new addition, the portion which now includes the richly designed and stately refurbished Louis XIV Ballroom.

Best of service coupled with highest of quality in every detail has earned an affectionate heritage for The Somerset



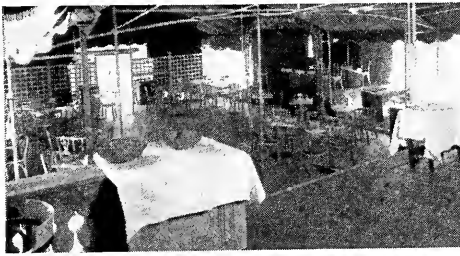




#### BALINESE ROOM

Where ladies will hold their Friday night Bunco and Bridge games.

Following its discharge, The Somerset was entirely and completely refurbished with the finest furnishings obtainable. More than one million and a half dollars were expended to modernize the original Somerset countenance and make it truly



#### TERRACE

The American counterpart of a Continental street cafe. Where you will have your dinners.

a luxury hotel comparable to its reputation.

The three hundred spacious rooms are equipped with the smartest furnishings, new plumbing, latest heating and ventilation systems, and modern serving pantries. Improved elevators have been in-



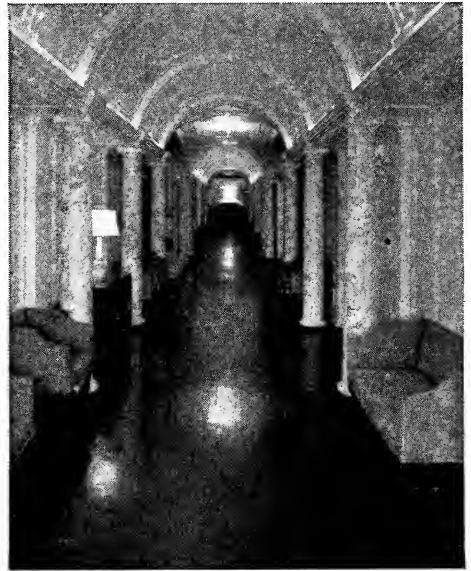
#### CURRIER & IVES ROOM

Where you will have your breakfasts.

stalled in addition to new main kitchens, completely advanced fire protection on the interior and exterior, air-cooled public and private spacious dining rooms, new chinaware, silver and glassware.

Largest function room in the hotel is the beautiful Louis XIV Room, which has a capacity for 800 persons, and 500 for banquets. This room has been acclaimed as one of the most perfect acoustic rooms in this section by experts.

Next in size is the Princess Ballroom, ideal for medium sized affairs, having a



#### PEACOCK ALLEY

This grand corridor leads from the Lobby to the Cocktail Lounge, the Men's Cafe, the Governor's Suite, the Terrace and the Princess Ballroom.

capacity of 300 persons, and 200 for banquets.

A series of private dining rooms known as the Empress Suite are available for meetings, breakfasts, luncheons, dinners, small weddings, private anniversary parties and dances.

One of the finest and most popular dining rooms of America is the smart and stylish Balinese Room affording the finest cuisines, and dancing to the music of

Sammy Eisen and his orchestra begins at dinner time. Top name celebrities appear regularly as entertainment attractions.

One of the popular dining rooms of the hotel is the Currier & Ives Room, dedicated to the two noted Americans whose satires and art did so much to create understanding among Americans from 1840 to 1890. One of the gentlemen, Nathaniel Currier, was a native of Roxbury, Mass. On the walls of this attractive room are originals of these two famous artists.

The Men's Cafe provides a meeting place for business executives who seek the privacy of their own intimate group. The room opens with the stock market, and is an excellent mecca for gentlemen to exchange ideas.

The Somerset also provides a unique cocktail lounge where exquisite hors d'oeuvres tempt the dullest appetite, the Promenade Lounge.

In the summer, a terrace opens on the beautiful Fens; shielded by a canvas canopy, it is an ideal and attractive spot for outdoor dining.

The Somerset is conveniently situated to sporting centers, and only a few moments from the heart of the theatre and business district. Adequate parking and garage facilities are available adjacent to the hotel.

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#### ELECTED SECRETARY OF WASHINGTON D. C. UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

E. Edward Stephens, Omega '33 and Lambda '38, practicing attorney, was elected Secretary of the University of California Alumni Association of Washington, D. C. at a meeting December 4 in the Statler Hotel. California Phi Sigs visiting in the Capital are extended a special invitation to call upon Brother Stephens at his office in the Woodward Building.

Ed received his Bachelor of Science degree at the University of California in 1933. A year later he commenced his legal studies at George Washington University, where he became closely identified with Lambda Chapter. He was awarded the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1938 and admitted to the District of Columbia Bar the same year.

Before entering private practice, Brother Stephens held positions with the Department of Commerce, the Treasury Department, and the General Accounting Office. He also served with the National Bituminous Coal Commission, the Farm Credit Administration, and the Department of the Interior. More recently he was on the professional staffs of the War Production Board and the Civilian Production Administration.

Immediately following his release from the Army, the Washington attorney continued his legal studies. Late in 1945 he was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States. The following June he received the Master of Laws degree at the Georgetown Graduate School of Law.

Brother Stephens, who is currently a lecturer in Federal Tax Law at the Federal Tax School, is the author of "The Business Trust—Taxability as an 'Association'", published in the Georgetown Law Journal, and "Are Your Dividends Tax-Free?", which appeared in the April 1947 issue of TAXES—The Tax Magazine.

Brother Stephens is a member of the Washington Club of Phi Sigma Kappa.

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**Captain A. Hess Bomberger, II**, Pi '43 who served with the Eighth Air Force in England and over Germany as a fighter pilot during the war, is enrolled in the A.I.T. at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

His brother **J. Graff Bomberger**, Kappa '40, and his father, **C. M. Bomberger**, Pi '08, are publishers of the "Jeannette (Pa.) News Dispatch."

### "GETTING ALONG WITH OTHERS IN BUSINESS"

Norman G. Shidle, Phi '17, has authored another book on business; this one entitled "Getting Along with Others in Business." It is a new, stimulating and refreshing book that sheds clear light on two peculiarly critical American problems: that of getting individualists



NORMAN G. SHIDLE

to work together; and keeping organization a tool for men to use in getting things done. The book includes chapters on "Putting Ideas to Work," "How to Win Recognition," "The Truth About Security," "How to Praise," "The Reality of Intangibles," "How to Profit From Meetings," "How to Make Conferences Click," "Think Right, Then Write," "Bosses and Leaders," and "The Paradox of Success."

However, the book is definitely not a "how to" book. Brother Shidle is the first to admit that nobody can learn how to get along with other people by reading a book. The reader can only hope to un-

derstand them better. Getting along with them follows naturally after that.

Brother Shidle is well known in business circles through his more than 300 human-relations-in-business articles in leading trade and executive magazines; through his book "Finding Your Job;" through his years of editorial work, first with Chilton Co. and now as executive editor of the SAE Journal, published by the Society of Automotive Engineers.

During his career as editor, publishing executive, and consultant to industrial organizations, Brother Shidle has watched and worked with thousands of business executives, salesmen and engineers at hundreds of conventions.

From his wide experience in dealing with business committees in war and peace, he has written hundreds of common sense essays on what makes executives and groups of business men think and act the way they do. More than 60 of the most thought-provoking has been assembled in this volume.

Most of the comments on business people and their personal performances grew out of reflection rather than research; out of contemplation rather than analysis. The reader who has had any experience in office or shop, in store or classroom, will recognize somebody he knows before he finishes these studies and will understand him better as a result.

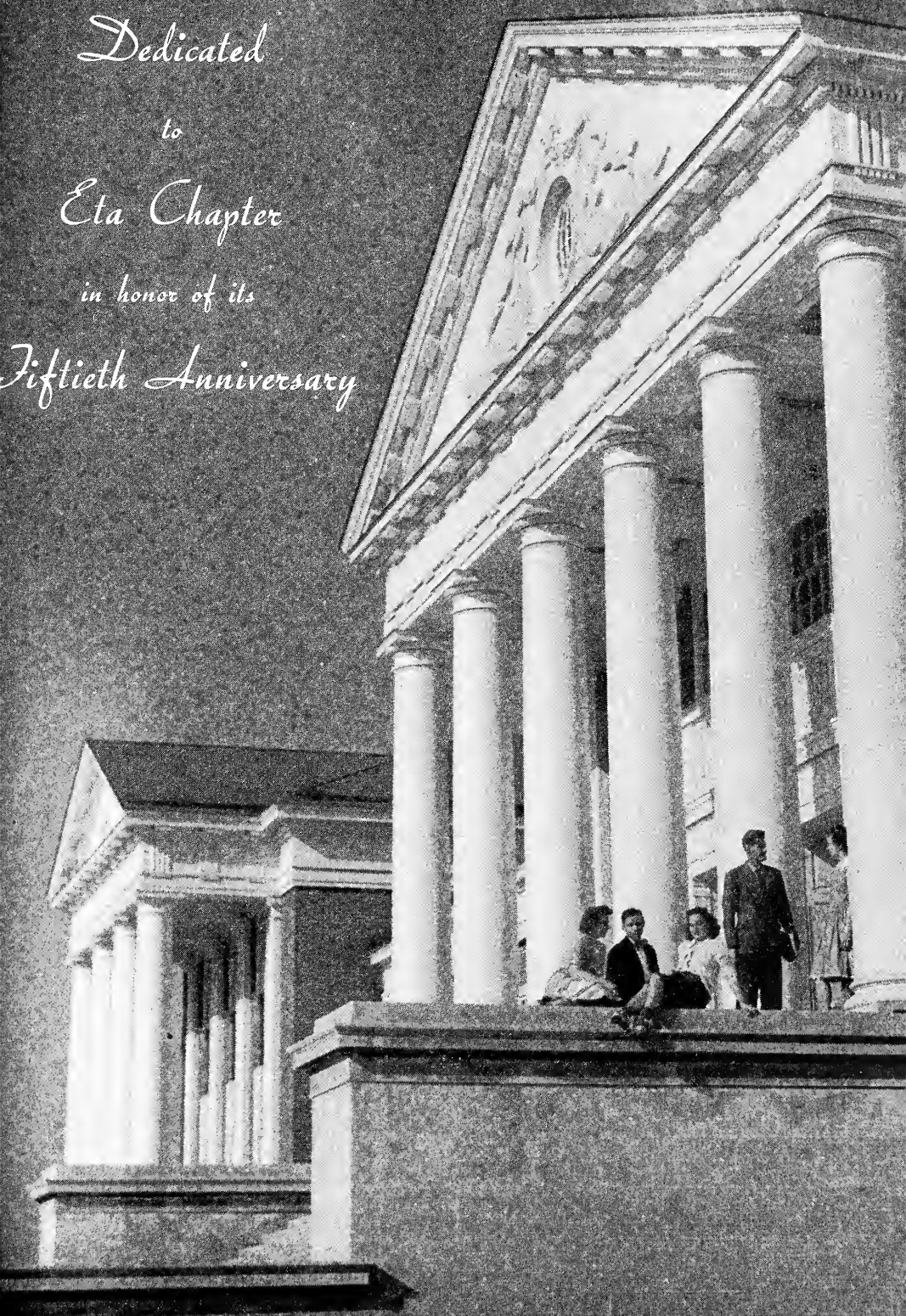
Those who have ever been members of committees—in business or industry, in trade associations or professional societies, in Rotarlys or Chambers of Commerce, in unions or social or athletic clubs—will see familiar scenes and situations pass before their eyes as they scan the pages of his new book. And they will understand better why certain things went wrong in their meetings.

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to  
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in honor of its  
Fiftieth Anniversary*



## *Eta Celebrates Fiftieth Anniversary*



THE night of November 22 was cold and filled with a drenching rain but it did not dampen the spirits of the Brothers of Phi Sigma Kappa that came out to celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of Eta Chapter. The celebration, according to tradition, was a banquet, which was held at Hardman's Restaurant near Ellicott City, Maryland. This site was chosen because of its reputation of turning out good dinners as well as its convenience to both Balti-

more and Washington Alumni. The great majority of Eta's Brothers are from these two cities. Brothers began to arrive early to renew old acquaintances and to get into the fraternity spirit over cocktails in the restaurant's bar.

At 7 o'clock the Brothers began the serious business of eating with equal amounts of conversation about what Eta is planning and the "good old days."

Immediately after dessert Brother Phil Schaefer, our Chapter Adviser, began the program of speeches as Toastmaster with a greeting and introductions. The



National President Herbert L. Brown (center) presents Council Fifty-Year Plaque to Eta Chapter President Bill Brownell. Eta Chapter Adviser Phil Schaefer beams with pride, as Brother Brown says "It is indeed a rare privilege and a great pleasure for me to present this beautiful plaque to you as a symbol from the Grand Chapter of its recognition of this 50th Anniversary of Eta's induction into Phi Sigma Kappa. May it be a constant reminder of the rich heritage which is yours. May it be symbolic of the fine achievements of a fine chapter for 50 years. May it be your daily inspiration to even greater progress and even more effective service to your members and to Phi Sigma Kappa. And finally may your hearts swell with justifiable pride at the thought of a job well done when as alumni you look upon it as you return to the chapter house and sing 'When the Phi Sigs Come Back Home'."

first to speak was our National President, Herbert L. Brown. Brother Barrett Fuchs, Director of Region Three, followed and talked about the chapters represented at the Southern Conclave last spring.

Toastmaster Schaefer then led the program through a series of speeches designed to relate the history of Eta Chapter from its founding at the University of Maryland in Baltimore on January 8, 1897 until the present time. Oldest member present, Brother Gilbert J. Morgan, told about the founding of Eta Chapter and the early days of its history in Baltimore. In 1921 Eta Chapter merged with the Skull and Coffin Society to become Eta Chapter at the University of Maryland at College Park. Brother G. Allen Wick, a Charter Member of Eta at College Park, told the story of the transfer from Baltimore to College Park. Following Brother Wick's address, our President Brother Bill Brownell spoke on Eta Today in which he told how the chapter was built back up into a strong, well-integrated group. Pledge George Bailey was called upon to tell what the pledges' hopes and plans are for Eta Tomorrow.

Following these speeches the moment came for which all those present had been waiting, the presentation of the Fiftieth Anniversary plaque by President Herbert L. Brown. The plaque is beautiful and an asset to the house to which we may look with just pride.

Brother Edgar Farr Russell, '22, another Charter Member of Eta at College Park, presented a banner to Brother Brownell as a gift from the Alumni Association.

The banquet was then adjourned and the Brothers left in groups to continue the celebration at various "spots" in Baltimore.

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#### JANUARY COVER

For its January cover The SIGNET presents a picture of the attractive entrance to the beautiful university library of the University of Maryland. Nature has added to the man-created beauty with a mantle of snow making the picture particularly appropriate for our January cover.

#### BEANIE CAN'T RETIRE

Edward S. (Beanie) Drake, Pi Deuteron, thought he had retired when after 30 years of service as manager of the Ohio Union of Ohio State University he resigned in order to have some leisure time. However, the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa would not let him retire; he is still Chapter Adviser of Pi Deuteron Chapter. Ohio State University would not let Beanie retire either. He is still adviser of the three men's class honoraries, Sphinx, senior; Bucket and Dipper, junior and Romophos, sophomore. He is also adviser to the Newman Club and treasurer and adviser of the Ohio Staters.

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# Eta Today

By BILL BROWNELL, *President, Eta Chapter*

**L**TA today begins with the beginning of the war. At this time almost all of our brothers were members of the Advanced ROTC or CPT Pilot training, and as a result, the start of the war hit us rather hard. Within a short

social affairs, from the dorms to the sorority houses. That first year, with only a few of the actives back and nothing but the ghostly promise of a house we pledged twelve new men. They were interested in us, what we did, and what we were going to do.

Then we began looking about for a house. Suitable houses were not available, prices were terribly high, we had little or no capital, but with a great deal of work on the part of Phil Schaefer and other alumni we finally purchased our present house at 4609 College Avenue. The Grand Chapter came through with financial help, Brother Ralph Powers did the legal work, and on March 9th we moved in our new house.

Then the work began. This home, that formerly housed a few people, would



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period of time we had only a few members left. It was no longer practicable to continue running the fraternity as a business or keeping the house. These last few brothers managed to sell the house, pay the bills, and close up things on the campus before they too left. For some time there were no brothers on the campus, all of Eta Chapter was in the services.

Six brothers were lost to Eta and to their Country, during the war.

One by one, the brothers began to come back to the campus, one, then two, six, ten, and gradually we managed to find each other and get together. We needed the fraternity again and we were going to work until we could re-establish Eta at Maryland.

Brother Acton let us use his basement for some time. We used almost every place on the campus for our meetings and



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now house sixteen. Utilizing all of our fraternity talents, and muscular ability, we built a new room in the basement, extra bathrooms, and modifications all over. Designing, wiring, plumbing, carpentry, plastering, and painting was the order of the day and we all worked, even during the summer. We enjoyed working together as a team and in real fraternity spirit.

Help from the alumni started to come in and we really put it to use. With a new stove, sink, and kitchen equipment we were ready to start serving meals the beginning of the next semester. To everyone's delight, Talka, our cook for thirteen years, with no equal on the campus, was back in the kitchen. During the war she kept track of everyone and knows more about the brothers and alumni than any of the actives!

With all these things to keep us busy, we did not neglect our other activities. We placed second among the fraternities in scholarship, stayed out of politics for the first year, but had many officers around the campus. Don Fresh, President of the Presbyterian Club, Don Turkal, President of the German Club, Dave Hill, head wheel of our near future radio station, and many others active in all the publications and other fields. We placed teams in the interfraternity sports,

those standards of Phi Sigma Kappa in our new pledges — in those that will carry on the Chapter in the future to a new Eta.

Then we do not want to forget that habit can be a pitfall, and that too many fraternities, tops on the campus, will tend to rest on what they have done, and coast along — we want to continue cultivating and bringing forth men with imagina-



Bill Fisher and Bob Wilde entertaining with cards:

tion, aggressiveness, and creativeness, coupled with our Cardinal Principles of Brotherhood, Scholarship, and Character.



Inductor Charles Barrett addresses pledge dinner.

football and basketball, and plan to have a top notch basketball team this year. Our social calendar has been filled.

Previous years on campus have seen us bring forth men that were highly placed and active in campus activities. This experience is invaluable, and we will continue to emphasize extracurricular work in addition to scholastics.

Just like Henry's sow, habit can be a wonderful custom. We want to establish

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**H. W. McCulloch, Jr.**, Alpha Deuteron '35, who has been with the Shell Oil Company for 12 years, is currently products applications engineer with offices in New York City. The McCulloch home is located in White Plains, New York.

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**Brother John C. Widman**, Delta Deuteron '30, has recently been appointed chief body engineer of the Kaiser-Frazer Corporation. Brother Widman, in charge of the Ford Motor Company's body research department for the past two years, previously served for 15 years with the Murray Corporation of Detroit. He is general chairman of the 1947 Technical Convention of the American Society of Body Engineers.



# *That Intangible, Indefinable Something*

Anniversary banquet address by H. L. Brown, National President



THIS is a gala occasion — not only in the history of Eta Chapter but in the annals of Phi Sigma Kappa, for it marks a celebration just as important and memorable to us of the national organization as it is to you of the local chapter. There have been six such occasions in the history of our fraternity and I have been privileged to participate in three of them — the 50th Anniversary at Delta, the one at Zeta and now here at Eta.

I am deeply indebted to you for affording me this rare privilege on this occasion, but as on the two other anniversaries, I cannot help feeling my inability to bring to you the kind of message this event deserves. As the national president it is fitting that I should represent the Grand Chapter, but there are others who could do so much better a job, that I despair of meeting the expectations of those who have arranged this fine program.

In the limitless reaches of time, fifty years is scarcely more than an infinitesimal speck, representing less than a normal human life span, but when we think of fifty years in terms of the life of Eta Chapter, its significance looms large in the lives of four or five hundred individuals.

If we project our thinking of this span in terms of the life expectancy of each, we arrive at the figure of over 2,000 years, during which Eta and Phi Sigma Kappa have brought influences to bear upon the lives of Eta members. These influences have undoubtedly guided the destinies of many into successful and productive channels. Without them these lives would probably have been devoid of the rich fullness that can be supplied only by the warm friendships

and worthy idealism of fraternal association.

For Eta it has been a glorious fifty years, characterized by hard work, some disappointments, and ultimate triumphs. Many of you present here tonight no doubt participated in the struggle for existence in the days of Eta's infancy, meeting the numerous trials and tribulations so well befitting manhood. Never daunted you pressed on and you faltered not, according to true Phi Sigma Kappa tradition. In like manner the younger men have carried on, overcoming vicissitudes, the magnitude of which could easily have defeated less sturdy and less courageous hearts. I recall quite clearly that only a year ago I journeyed to College Park and along with Phil Schaefer and a mere handful of undergraduates conferred with "Curly" Byrd in an effort to locate quarters from which the Chapter could operate in its rushing activities. It turned out to be an abortive effort, though Dr. Byrd displayed the usual interest and concern, and promised to co-operate in every possible way. Discouraged but not licked, the tiny chapter rose to the occasion and with the magnificent help of your big, little man, Phil Schaefer, to whom we all owe a great debt of gratitude, a house was finally located. With the financial help of your Alumni and a loan from the Grand Chapter, which is proud of the part it has been able to play, the property was purchased and within the short space of eight months, the Chapter has grown almost unbelievably in size and prestige, to take its rightful place among the fraternities on the Maryland campus. This is an achievement which should warm the heart of each Eta man . . . an everlasting tribute to the magnificent Phi Sig spirit of unity and brotherhood which I hope

and believe pervades our entire fraternity.

Now, brothers, why do I take your time to relate past history which is known to each of you? Merely to bring out clearly the point of my remarks to you on the occasion of this 50th Anniversary. Has the driving force behind all this work, sacrifices, disappointments and final victory been the mere desire for the material things involved . . . a house in which to live, a place where social functions can be held, a showplace to which we can point as our house? If you will search your hearts and minds, I know you will agree with my answer, "It is not." Rather it is that intangible something that binds us together for the promotion of social fellowship, for the strengthening of the bonds of friendship and for mutual help in time of need. It is an indefinable something which combines the attributes inherent in rich, warm friendships, possible only in fraternal relationship with that struggle, oftentimes unconscious, to attain our chosen ideals, which in the final analysis form the foundation of our Brotherhood. Perhaps put into simpler terms, it is the desire to serve one's fellow man and in the serving life becomes fuller and more worthwhile.

This is the thought that has been the

inspiration behind the recent formation of the Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation — long a hope among many loyal interested Phi Sigs, and now a reality. Its primary purpose is the serving of undergraduate members by providing scholarships, student aid and high scholastic attainment awards. Naturally it will take time to reach this worthy objective, but it is my sincere hope that you will all keep this Foundation constantly before you and participate to the extent of your individual abilities when called upon to do so.

Brotherhood, Scholarship, Character. Let us ever be conscious of these noble ideals, for they form the very keystone of the arch of our fraternalism. If we do, the next 50 years in the life of Eta Chapter will be just as glorious — and even more so — than the first 50 years, and the rewards in the form of rich, undying friendships and the satisfaction that inures from service rendered to one's fellowman will repay you many times for the time, money and effort expended, to the end that we will justify the rich heritage that is ours, and will "make her fair name brighter than the jewels of her emblems and will wear those emblems above reproach."

## *Eta At College Park*

By GEORGE ALLEN WICK, '23



AS YOU have been told, I have been asked to bring you the story of the transfer of Eta from Baltimore to College Park. To do this I wish to give you a brief background of the group in College Park that was inducted into Eta Chapter.

In 1919 Brothers Ed Russell, Mortimer Morehouse and myself spent much of our leisure time in each other's company and from this friendship the idea occurred

that we might form a club, society, or fraternity. After inviting several other friends to discuss this with us, it was finally decided to form a secret society patterned after those at Yale and Harvard, and on October 20, 1920 the secret society of Skull & Coffin was born.

At this time there were three national fraternities and one local on the campus. They were Sigma Nu, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Phi Sigma and Nu Sigma Omicron. About the time Skull & Coffin

made its appearance, several other local fraternities or societies were formed and an interest in becoming identified with a national fraternity began to be manifest by all of these groups.

Suffice it to say that considerable rivalry existed between these various social orders.

Co-incident with the birth of Skull & Coffin, the University of Maryland in Baltimore and the Maryland State College at College Park were consolidated. This made it possible for fraternities at either institution to initiate men from the other. Mortimer Morehouse did not return to Maryland in the fall of 1921 but matriculated at George Washington University, where he was soon pledged and ultimately initiated into Lambda Chapter of Phi Sig.

Mortimer, however, continued to meet with Skull & Coffin and through him we met Brother Walter Brandes who was then National Auditor of Phi Sigma Kap-

pa as well as Chapter Adviser to Lambda. Brother Morehouse told us of the possibility of a branch of Eta Chapter being established in College Park. We decided that we were going to try for the honor of being the College Park branch of Eta. Brother Brandes visited with us on numerous occasions, and through his wise council we improved our organization, increased our membership and strengthened our financial position.

Brother Walt kept telling us that if we hoped to make Phi Sig we would have to have a house. Much time was spent in an effort to attain this end, but it was not until December of 1922 that this goal was achieved, by renting a bungalow, and though we were cramped, we were thankful to have gotten a house of any description. With the attainment of this goal, we had about complied with all of the requirements that had been established as pre-requisite to our accept-

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ETA CHAPTER HOUSE



# Maryland's Historical Background

By J. P. SCHAEFER, Eta '23



IN George Calvert, the first Lord Baltimore, was born the ideal to found a sanctuary in the new world where everyone of every creed and race might worship God as he chose and enjoy the blessings of civil and religious liberty. Calvert's dreams began when he was a youth, studying at Oxford, and the realization of those dreams is the Free State of Maryland and its glorious institutions today.

The University of Maryland is one of those institutions. Behind the University is a long and honorable history. The history of the present University is the history of two institutions: the old privately owned and operated University of Maryland in Baltimore and the Maryland State College at College Park. These two institutions merged in 1920 as the University of Maryland.

The history of the old University in Baltimore goes back to 1807 when the College of Medicine of Maryland was organized, the fifth medical school in the United States. The first class was graduated in 1810. In 1812 the General Assembly of Maryland authorized an expansion of the school to include faculties of divinity, law and arts and sciences, and that the faculties thus united should constitute a university with the name University of Maryland.

Later, in 1856, the Maryland Agricultural College was chartered and established in College Park, Maryland, the second agricultural college in the Western Hemisphere. For three years the college was under private management. When the Congress of the United States passed the Land Grant or Morrill Act in 1862, under which Federal aid would be given state institutions, the Maryland

General Assembly accepted the grant for the Maryland Agricultural College and the college became, in part, a state institution. The college was taken over by the State entirely in 1914 after which it was called the Maryland State College and was co-educational in all its branches. Then in 1920 by an act of the State Legis-



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lature the merger was effected and the resultant institution was given the name University of Maryland.

In the Seventeenth Century George Calvert was convinced that religious freedom was the first and very necessary step toward a perfect government. Three hundred years later, in the Twentieth Century, the University of Maryland believes that a complete education is the first and very necessary step toward a perfect government. That "no child in the State of Maryland shall be deprived of a complete education, and at the lowest possible ex-

pense" is the maxim of the University. In effectuating this principle new buildings are being erected and new courses to meet present day demands are being added. The registration for the 1947-48 year is the largest in the history of the institution. 10,000 students are enrolled at the College Park branch and 1500 at the graduate school in Baltimore.

The undergraduate school is located about midway between Washington and Baltimore in a typical college town, College Park, Maryland. The college property comprises 600 acres. A broad rolling campus is surmounted by a commanding hill which overlooks a wide area and insures excellent drainage. The majority of the dormitories and classroom buildings are on this eminence, looking out over the drill grounds and the athletic fields below. Beyond the athletic fields is the town of College Park and the houses of the Greeks. The University approves the fraternity and sorority system and there are 17 national fraternities and 11 national sororities on the campus. College Avenue, leading to the main gate of the University, is lined with beautiful fraternity and sorority houses, and among them is the modest house of Eta, modest in appearance but housing a fraternity full-grown in stature and standing high on the campus in scholarship and good-fellowship.

The Baltimore division consists of the graduate schools of Dentistry, Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, the School of Nursing and the Hospital, and is located in a group of buildings in downtown Baltimore. Here the campus is a small patch of green grass in front of the original Medical School Buildings, erected in 1814. Across the street is the new University Hospital with a capacity of 450 beds and the other buildings, laboratories and a nurses home.

From a rich background of history and tradition the University of Maryland has emerged as one of our great State Universities. Her alumni have taken their

places in the commercial, industrial and professional life of our country. On the Eastern Shore and on the Western, in the village and in the big town, the doctor down the street or the dentist around the corner is a Maryland man; the bridge spanning the Susquehanna River between Havre de Grace and Perryman, Maryland, one of the country's most beautiful large bridges, was built by a Maryland man, and in many other ways Maryland alumni have contributed to American life.

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### ETA AT COLLEGE PARK

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ance by Eta Chapter as their representatives at College Park.

On April 24, 1923 a formal petition was sent to Eta in Baltimore. A number of friends of the members of Skull & Coffin that were members of Phi Sigma Kappa sent letters of recommendation to Eta, and in early May of 1923 we were informed that our petition had been granted.

On May 14, 1923 the last meeting of Skull & Coffin was held and the society was disbanded in accordance with instructions from Eta.

The great days came on May 18th and May 19th when a delegation from Eta came to College Park and initiated the former Skull & Coffin members into Phi Sigma Kappa.

On May 28, 1923 the first meeting of Phi Sigma Kappa was held at College Park. At this meeting Brother Brandes installed the officers.

Thus Phi Sigma Kappa came to College Park where it has occupied a prominent place ever since.

Eta Chapter has, of course, had its ups and downs since 1923 and it was even necessary to de-activate it during the War but now, thanks to the untiring efforts of Brother Schaefer and an active membership that has done a splendid job we have a fine Chapter at Maryland.

*Co-educational too*



# Across The Wide Missouri

## A Book Review



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The story of the winning of the west is one that has long held the imagination of the people as a tale of a heroic age and it would be difficult to find a more exciting episode in that saga than the era of the fur trade and the heroes that it produced—the picturesque and tough mountain men.

It is the story of this episode that is told in Bernard DeVoto's notable book, "Across the Wide Missouri." The author describes the events of the fur trade from the year 1832 to 1838 not with a view to presenting its history but, rather, to describe the business as a way of life led by those who pursued it.

After a suitable discussion of background events in St. Louis, then a small town, from which the activities of the trade radiated, the reader is taken, as it were, upon an expedition to the scene of the business. He is introduced to the men who constitute the dramatis personæ of the piece. He is made acquainted with the Indian tribesmen, at peace and on the warpath, who shared with the mountain men the great and then open spaces

of our plains and the mountain wilderness and who, in a large measure, established the pattern of life that the mountain men had to adopt if they were to survive at all. A vivid picture is presented of the buffalo hunt and of the buffalo herd as factors in the economy of the business. It is refreshing to read, in our days of meat shortages, that there was a time when a man would eat eight pounds of buffalo meat for dinner, wake up after a few hours, and eat as much more. In those days men were indeed men. The author presents a full length portrait of the mountain man not only at work but also in the periodic intervals of his lusty relaxation.

Nor are we allowed to think only in terms of the individual trapper. For our book deals primarily with business and big business at that. The cut-throat competition between the rival fur companies pervades the whole work and we view the spectacle of an age in which business had not yet assumed the aura of respectability at present in vogue but carried on, in many of its details, in much the man-

ner of an efficient gangster enterprise of our Prohibition era. The picture of government Indian agents who handed out government donatives to Indians with the suggestion that in so doing they were acting as agents of the fur company reminds us that graft and dishonesty are not peculiar to our times. Yet we are also made to realize the important part that the fur companies, with all their rivalry and exploitation of resources human and natural, played in bringing the west and the northwest into the orbit of American interest and the extent to which they were responsible for their development as part of our country.

The volume has a most attractive feature in its illustrations which are illuminating with reference to the narrative itself and introduce the reader to paintings by men who were eyewitnesses of the events and the scene. There are eighty-one such paintings excellently reproduced with explanatory comments by the author. Nineteen of these are in color. The artists represented are Alfred Jacob Miller, Charles Bodmer, and George Catlin. Appendices, notes, bibliography, and index are added to serve the needs of the more serious reader; for the work is one that may profitably be studied as well as read.

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### EPSILON DEUTERON CHRISTMAS PARTY

A late flash from Epsilon Deuteron told of their annual Christmas party held for underprivileged youngsters from the Worcester Boy's Club. On the night of Wednesday, December 17, the house was bodily taken over by a force of sixteen young men between the ages (approximately) of six to eleven. The complete success of the evening was due almost entirely to the work of Brother John Hawley, who made all the arrangements for the party. After the sixteen had made a surprisingly decorous entrance, action started with a couple of boxing matches

ably refereed by Brother Walt (what hit me?) Dick. The losers forgot their troubles during the movies which followed. Then there were refreshments, and, of course, S. Claus with toys for all. In this role Brother Bob Drew (plus red suit and pillow) did a commendable job, even while keeping a weather eye out for beard-snatchers. As each little fellow received a stocking full of fruit and candy as he left, it was hard to tell who had had the better time—the happy kids to whom the gift-laden hand of friendship had been extended, or the brothers who had extended it when they saw the “thank you” in sixteen pairs of young eyes.

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### JOHNSON RECEIVES GOLDEN DEEDS AWARD

Virgil D. Johnson, Phi Deuteron '28, has been selected as recipient of the Golden Deeds Award of the Exchange Club in recognition of his fine services to Savannah, Georgia. He is manager of Sears Roebuck and Company's Savannah store.

The award is in recognition of Brother Johnson's service and assistance in getting his company to erect the new store and shopping center there. The committee also recognized the fine work done by Brother Johnson in promoting livestock and poultry development among 4-H Clubs and Future Farmers of America in the area. The award is part of a national project of the Exchange for outstanding community service.

Brother Johnson is a past president of the Exchange Club and a director of the Chamber of Commerce. He attended the University of Kentucky and has been with the Sears organization since 1928.

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# Five Phi Sigs Sent To National Interfraternity Conference

WITH record attendance, stimulating discussions, and lively conflicts over matters of importance in the fraternity picture the 39th annual session of the National Interfraternity Conference was held at the Hotel Commodore, New York City, November 28 and 29. In conjunction with this were held the first postwar session of the National Undergraduate Interfraternity Council and meetings of the College Fraternity Secretaries' Association, College Fraternity Editors Association, and the newly organized Fraternity Scholarship Officers' Association.

Five Phi Sigs were sent to the National Undergraduate Interfraternity Council by the interfraternity councils of four of the 79 interfraternity councils represented at the N. I. C. This is indeed a high percentage. Brother William D. Tunis of Alpha represented the interfraternity council of the University of Massachusetts, Brother Sam Snyder of Nu Chapter represented the interfraternity council of Lehigh, Brother Roger A. Pihl, President of Xi Chapter and President of the St. Lawrence undergraduate interfraternity council represented that group and Brother Clell F. Despain and Walter Patrick of Phi Deuteron represented the undergraduate council of the University of Kentucky.

The record-breaking attendance total, 561, including delegates and alternates representing 58 of the 59 member fraternities, 103 presidents and deans from fraternity campuses, 164 undergraduates representing 79 interfraternity councils from all parts of the country, and visitors.

The first official action taken at the opening session of the National Interfraternity Conference was fittingly the adoption of a resolution recognizing the

important services to the fraternity cause of Dr. Alvan Emile Duerr, Kenyon-Williams, '93, a former national president of Delta Tau Delta, and twice chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference, whose death took place on November 18, 1947.

The memorial resolution reviewed the activities of Dr. Duerr since his first attendance of the National Interfraternity Conference in 1923, including his chairmanship of the Scholarship Committee and the preparation for more than 20 years of the charts which showed consistently the superiority of scholarship of fraternity men throughout the country; the co-authorship of the Fraternity Criteria, Principles of Democracy, the Decalog of Fraternity Policy, and the recent pamphlet on pledge training; membership on numerous committees; service as a liaison officer between the conference and the colleges and universities, resulting in his being made the first and only honorary life member of the National Association of Deans and Advisers of Men; the editorship of the 1940 Baird's Manual of College Fraternities; pioneer work as an incorporator of the National Interfraternity Foundation, of which he was the first president; the conducting of a column in *Banta's Greek Exchange* and the writing of numerous articles dealing with fraternity and interfraternity methods. In 1940 Dr. Duerr was awarded the National Interfraternity Conference gold medal "for distinguished service to youth through the American college fraternity."

INSISTING that it is the democratic right of any group of men to form a college fraternity with any membership restriction that they may see fit to impose,

David A. Embury, Acacia, in his address as chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference met the criticism that fraternities practice racial and religious discrimination. He charged that any attempt on the part of a college administration to dictate to fraternities in regard to membership restrictions would be regimentation, a thing contrary to education in a democracy.

"There is nothing arbitrary or capricious or unnatural about fraternity membership restrictions based on race, creed, or color," Chairman Embury announced. "The college fraternity is the closest knit, most intimate group to be found anywhere outside the family group. The members live together, eat together, and share each other's joys and sorrows. What then could be more natural, more important, than that in choosing new members they should seek men with the same racial, religious, social, and cultural background as their own."

He continued:

"Nor is this based on any hatred or prejudice or any false sense of superiority of one race or religion over another any more than the membership restrictions of the Pennsylvania or the New England Society are based on hatred or prejudice respecting men from other geographical sections."

Chairman Embury maintained also that it is likewise the undisputed privilege of any group to form an association with no restrictions if that is the pleasure of the individuals concerned. "It is one thing," he declared "that a group may omit such restrictions — that is democracy. It is another thing to say that a group must omit them — that is regimentation."

In conclusion he said: "There is no reason why we should be apologetic, no reason why we should assume the defensive. I solemnly urge that we take a firm and unequivocal position on this issue and that we let the whole world — and the college administration in particu-

lar — know just what that position is. This is a matter on which we must stand together or, one by one, we shall all fall separately.

"I shall even go so far as to suggest that if a single fraternity is threatened with being forced off a campus because of membership restrictions, every fraternity on that campus should immediately advise the administration that, if one closes, all will close, and, furthermore, that, so far as possible, all the facts will be laid before every alumnus of the college with the suggestion that he carefully weigh the advisability of continuing his financial support to an institution which thus endeavors to regiment one of the oldest and most democratic of our educational organizations, the college fraternity."

**M**EMBERSHIP restriction was the most discussed topic in meetings of the National Interfraternity Conference and the National Undergraduate Interfraternity Council. As a result, the Executive Committee of the conference was instructed to form a special committee "to study the problems of membership restrictions and to give encouragement to the formation of new local fraternity groups to meet the variety of local campus needs by the college administrators."

The undergraduate council referred the following resolution to the conference, and it was passed unanimously: "Whereas, the undergraduate interfraternity council is an appropriate and useful factor in any system of student self government and should be encouraged and developed as such, it is the opinion of the National Interfraternity Conference that college and university administrations should confer with and seek the cooperation of their local interfraternity councils in the formulation and enforcement of college regulations relating to drinking, hazing, Hell Week, and associated problems of fraternity conduct on college campuses."

Other resolutions passed called upon fraternities and fraternity chapters to participate actively and intelligently in democratic procedures to combat activities designed to subvert and overthrow prevailing principles of democracy by violence and to aid undergraduates to understand the nature of American democracy; to promote alumni interfraternity councils; to be hospitable to foreign exchange students; to develop chapter house discussions; and to support the newly organized Fraternity Scholarship Officers Association in its program to improve scholarship among fraternity members.

**H**AILED as one of the most constructive booklets dealing with fraternity topics, complete in coverage, sound and definite in its suggestions, and stimulating in its presentation, Chapter House Discussions by Clyde Samfred Johnson, assistant dean of undergraduates at UCLA, was the center around which the joint session of Friday afternoon was organized.

The first speaker, Lyman Bryson, counselor of public affairs for the Columbia Broadcasting System, considered the value of exchanging ideas, declaring that mere random, spontaneous, interesting discussion is not necessarily education, even if it is stimulating, but he insisted that the pamphlet by Dean Johnson is extraordinarily important in that it shows that conversation can be much fun and stimulating and educational too.

"A democracy is a government and a social system which is founded upon truth and action," said Mr. Bryson, "because it was the perfectly clear determination and the idea of the people who started this country that it is by comparing ideas, and by confronting one another with something like an open mind that the best in everything got said."

"Facts are not important in one sense at all," continued Mr. Bryson, "except as they are the basis on which you make up

your mind. All the important things in life are opinions: what is good? what is bad? what is beautiful? what is ugly? what we want? what is worth working for? what is the good will? what is there in the future?"

In conclusion Mr. Bryson said:

"Our country is founded upon the idea that the most important things in men's lives are the judgments about the things they think, good or bad, profitable or not. Truth is the best way to find out what you think and what the other fellow thinks and what is the best possible thing to arrive at. Talk, like everything else that is worth doing, brings its results in exact measurement with the amount of brains and the energy that you put into it. The talk in their chapter houses is just about the most important things the boys can do. If you can encourage them to talk well, you will give them something to do for the future of their country."

Objectives of the recently organized National Student Association in this country were presented by Robert S. Smith, vice-president in charge of the international program. They are, according to Mr. Smith: improvement of educational standards and facilities; student government; health conditions; emphasis of equal rights to college education; stressing of the rights and responsibilities of the individual to his school, his school community, this country, and the world.

"Contrary to similar associations in other countries, the American group has resolved to stay out of politics," asserted Mr. Smith, "confining themselves to student problems and conditions affecting student life." "It did however by a vote of more than 400 to 35 decide to affiliate itself with the somewhat political-minded international union of students under the reservation that it would refrain from political activity in that organization, but would work with it in all fields of common endeavor toward peace."



Some of the projects the association is carrying on or planning, according to Mr. Smith, are the exchange of students with different countries; the arrangement of tours for foreign students visiting this country; the preparation of a booklet of information outlining the opportunities for study in travel in Europe next summer; the organization of joint tours in this country by American and foreign students in vacation periods; the inviting of foreign students into discussion groups and encouraging them to participate in social and general campus activities; the working out of a program for corresponding with foreign students; the publication of the monthly N. S. A. news governing both national and international activities of the association; the sending of articles on American student life to the International Union of Students for their publication and to the various students' associations in different parts of the world.

Fraternity chapters can greatly aid this program, according to Mr. Smith, in seeing that the association activities are brought up and discussed on the campus, by organizing discussion groups in chapter houses and dealing with topics concerning international as well as national fields; by following the example of eight Bowdoin College chapters in each housing a foreign student; by stimulating of interest in campus activities and leadership along the lines advocated by the national student association; by improving student spirit, and student cooperation.

Nineteen hundred forty-seven gold medal "for distinguished service to youth through the American college fraternity" was awarded President John O. Moseley, of the University of Nevada. His contributions included the development of a Greek Week program as a substitution for the old Hell Week program, the conducting of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon leadership school for chapter officers, and numerous speeches and magazine articles dealing with fraternity topics.

Dr. Moseley, a Rhodes scholar, started his educational career as a teacher of classics at the University of Oklahoma, where he also coached nine tennis teams, the majority of which won championships. He later became president of the Oklahoma Teachers College, and from that position went to the University of Tennessee as dean of students. About three years ago he was made president of the University of Nevada. The presentation was made at the luncheon Friday afternoon by Chairman Embury, who cited the fact that Dr. Moseley was the first to receive the award other than past chairmen or vice chairmen.

The candor and the forthrightness in dealing with the subject of racial discrimination which marked Chairman Embury's address were reflected in the consideration of other topics in the sessions of the Undergraduate Council and the National Interfraternity Conference, but were especially evident in the various round table discussions of Friday afternoon when undergraduates mingled with alumni delegates. The interest in these groups made evident the need for larger rooms.

From these round tables came some of the most important resolutions which provided opportunity for action at the NIC's final session Saturday forenoon. Significant was the fact that one of these resolutions passed unanimously will expand the conference by the addition of a meeting Thanksgiving night, the purpose of which will be to get delegates acquainted, and the addition of a business session for Saturday afternoon, thus permitting Friday afternoon to be given over entirely to round table discussions. "We feel that the round tables really help democratize the conference," was the statement of Maurice Jacobs, Phi Epsilon Pi, chairman of the 1946 conference, who presided over the round table dealing with conference activities.

The round table on colonization policy

and procedure, in charge of Frank H. Myers, Kappa Alpha Order, decided that a colony was any local group of students at a college or university organized to affiliate with a certain national fraternity and that such groups should serve at least one continuous semester as a probationary period before being inducted into a national fraternity, and that no colonies should be organized at any unaccredited institution by any national fraternity for any purpose.

In a largely attended round table it was reported that subversive activities existing on campuses as far as undergraduates were concerned were pretty well controlled, and the best way of combating such activities was considered to be through the activities of other students acting in a democratic way through their student government and without the interference of faculty or the administration of a school. Dean Warnock was chairman of the round table.

THE liveliest participation among the round tables was found in the group presided over by Clyde S. Johnson, Phi Kappa Sigma, assistant dean of men at UCLA, which had as its topic for discussion membership restrictions. Dean Johnson pointed out that Phi Beta Kappa in 1778 was denounced as un-American and an importation from France by Thomas Jefferson, and that efforts were made to abolish it. He also stated that when the facts were uncovered, it was found that Thomas Jefferson did not bring Phi Beta Kappa in "as a strange importation."

He asserted that today national college fraternities have faced succeeding waves of criticism, have attempted to get at the facts, and have been able to answer many of the criticisms either because there was no truth in the charges, or because the policy of fraternities has been sound.

Out of the discussion concerning membership restrictions, which Dean John-

son reported as approaching the emotional at times, came a resolution that all member fraternities be asked to investigate their constitutions and to eliminate any categorical exclusions of students from membership. As only eight members of the group favored the resolution, it was overwhelmingly defeated.

A later resolution provided for the appointment of a special committee to make a continuing study of the problem, the nature and source of criticism, such relationships as may exist in the criticism and to give active aid and encouragement to the formation of new groups based on any selected basis, including international and interfaith.

The principal question discussed by the meeting of fraternity presidents was the urgent need of an executive secretary for the National Interfraternity Conference. This meeting was presided over by Chairman Embury, who brought out forcefully the need for the assistance that would be provided by a central office and recommended the increase of dues to make this possible. As the additional expenditure to cover this cost could not be made by some fraternities because of budgets which had already been determined for the year, it was felt that only an expression of sentiment concerning the program could be secured from the 1947 conference.

PASSED by the conference was an amendment which provided that a member fraternity may be expelled by Executive Committee for violation of any provision of the constitution or the by-laws and for any activity or conduct detrimental or prejudicial to the general college system or cause. The amendment provides that the Executive Committee after full investigation send a written notice to the offending member fraternity and afford a reasonable opportunity for that fraternity to appear and be heard in defense. Then it "shall have the power

to expel or to impose lesser disciplinary action against such member fraternity as determined by a two-thirds vote of all members of the Executive Committee."

The amendment provided that the member fraternity should have the right to appeal the decision of the Executive Committee to the next annual meeting of the conference, the member fraternity being suspended for membership until this appeal is heard and decided upon by the conference. A majority vote may reverse the decision of the Executive Committee.

Another amendment passed provides that after November 30, 1947, "no member shall at any unaccredited college or university sponsor, assist, or participate in any manner, directly or indirectly, in the establishment, formation, or organization of a colony or any group or association of students with intent to be affiliated in any manner with the member."

Power was given by still another amendment to the Executive Committee to select the place for the annual meeting, to call special meetings, and to arrange group meetings when they see fit, recommending their agenda.

It was voted to publish the 1947 yearbook under the present plan, but to have the Executive Committee adopt at its December meeting a printing and publication program for 1948.

**T**HOUGH-PROVOKING statistics were presented by Elles M. Derby, president of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity in proposing changes in the NIC constitution. In 1909 there were four states in the country in which fraternities had granted more than 100 chapters, today there are eight states that come in that category, and also three states with from 75 to 100 chapters; eight or ten with from 50 to 75 chapters, and 36 states that have more than 25 chapter grants each. The most notable increases have been in the states of Washington and Oregon.

"In the past 24 years," Mr. Derby stated, "service on the Executive Committee has totaled 289 years, and 12 fraternities have had a majority of that time, 155 years, while 26 other fraternities shared the remainder, but 30 fraternities have never been represented on the Executive Committee."

"Some of the fraternities," he continued, "that have the largest numbers have had proportionately small representation on the Executive Committee, and some of those that are very small in membership have had exceedingly large representation." He also pointed out that in a period of four fairly recent years men were suddenly selected as officers of the conference with no prior service whatever on the Executive Committee and that in the same period six men having an average attendance record of 84 per cent of all meetings were dropped from the Executive Committee.

Mr. Derby reported that in the past ten years men were selected as officers who had attended 32 out of a possible 70 meetings, while men with an almost perfect attendance record were dropped or after continuing as members were not elevated to officerships.

When men were elevated or retained on the Executive Committee, according to Mr. Derby, they came from those same 12 fraternities, but those that were dropped were not from the 12, and also 18 out of 24 chairmen came from the same 12 fraternities. Ten men who were advanced to the chairmanship after one to three years of service on the Executive Committee were from the 12 fraternities.

Since 1936, Mr. Derby pointed out, only 25 per cent of the membership of the Executive Committee, and that includes the officers, have ever been active major officers of their fraternities, and only 51 per cent have been officers at all.

**R**ESOLUTIONS of appreciation were passed commending the Kappa Al-

pha Order, Howard P. Locke, Phi Gamma Delta, and John S. Sickels, for their contributions to valuable studies for the information of the fraternity world; the Law Committee for its compilation of "The American College Fraternity, its background and contribution to the American way of life"; the committee on fraternity expansion for its report; the college officers in attendance for their continued participation and cordial cooperation; Chairman David Embury for fine leadership and self-sacrificing service; other officers and members of the executive and other committees for faithful and efficient service; and George Starr Lasher for his services in preparing the annual summary of the news of the conference and in publicizing activities of the NIC, for the past fifteen years. The last resolution was originally passed by the College Fraternity Editors Association.

Dr. Gilbert M. Meade, Phi Gamma Delta, president of Washington College, received the gavel as the incoming chairman of the conference in the closing moments of the Saturday forenoon session. He introduced his new associate officers and fellow members of the Executive Committee and then made a plea for cooperation on the part of all so that the work of the conference could be carried on "as widely and democratically as possible."

As part of his inaugural he said, "I am too much of a sentimentalist for this job. I was a pledge to a fraternity forty years ago this month. My fraternity life is as long as the life of the National Interfraternity Conference. That means nothing except that out of those years, though I have never been a major officer in my fraternity and probably never will be, I have acquired a feeling for all of fraternity which insofar as sentiment is possible is equal to my appreciation of the value of my own fraternity. My life is in it. My heart is in it."

OTHER officers elected by the 1947 conference are: Vice chairman, Frank H. Myers, Kappa Alpha Order, Washington, D. C.; secretary, Dr. Wilbur H. Cramblet, Alpha Sigma Phi, president of Bethany College, Bethany, W. Va.; treasurer, William J. Barnes, Theta Xi, New York City; educational adviser, A. Ray Warnock, Beta Theta Pi, dean of men at Penn State; Executive Committee—Harry S. Gorgas, Phi Kappa Psi, New York City, to replace Frank H. Myers in the class of '48; class of '50, Henry Q. Mittendorf, Phi Delta Theta, professor at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute; P. M. Harrington, Jr., Phi Kappa Tau, New York City; Dr. J. Fisher, Alpha Delta Phi, head of the Institute of International Education, New York City.

The newest auxiliary organization, the College Fraternity Scholarship Officers Association, authorized by the Executive Committee selected in its first meeting the following officers: Dr. Charles H. Gray, chairman, Theta Delta Chi; Col. Ralph W. Wilson, vice chairman, Sigma Chi; Dean F. E. Alter, secretary-treasurer, Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Dr. B. G. Feinberg, Phi Epsilon Pi; Prof. Earl Sneed, Beta Theta Pi; Dr. Ralph E. Wakely, Delta Sigma Phi; and Dr. G. E. Snavelly, Phi Gamma Delta, additional members of the executive committee.

The constitution and by-laws will be formulated by this committee the members of which, according to the chairman of the organization, "will continue to work each in his own fraternity and all together for the improvement of fraternity scholarship in the way of academic ratings and also in the way of brotherhood."

Thirty-nine members of the College Fraternity Secretaries' Association at a meeting held Friday elected the following officers: chairman, W. W. Elder, Delta Kappa Epsilon, vice chairman, Harold P. Davison, Theta Xi; secretary-treasurer, L. Z. Rosser, Chi Phi; executive commit-

tee member for three-year term, Ransom H. Bassett, Kappa Alpha Order. J. Russell Easton, Sigma Chi, and Arthur B. Waring, Delta Phi, continue on the committee as well as Earl F. Schoening, Phi Sigma Kappa, retiring chairman.

The secretaries voted to elect officers hereafter at the regular summer meeting, although the officers-elect will not take over until after the meeting held at the Thanksgiving week-end of the NIC session.

The secretary was instructed to telegraph the good wishes of the association to Secretaries Cecil J. Wilkinson, Phi Gamma Delta; Frederick W. Ladue, Theta Chi; and Norman Hackett, Theta Delta Chi, all absent because of illness.

**M**EETINGS were held by the College Fraternity Editors Association, one a business session on Friday afternoon and the other a dinner at the Waldorf Astoria with James M. Secrest, director of typography for the J. M. Basford Co., as the chief speaker.

It was voted to increase the news releases of the association and to revive the annual summer meeting in the Middle West, thus restoring a profitable get-together which was abandoned at the beginning of World War II. The association, by resolution, offered its services to the National Interfraternity Conference in whatever capacity such service might be most effectively used.

The officers were re-elected: Frank C. Ferguson, Kappa Sigma, Spokane, Wash., president; Harold P. Davison, Theta Xi, St. Louis, Mo., vice president, and Don M. Gable, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Evans-ton, Ill., secretary-treasurer.

At the dinner which was largely attended, high tribute was paid to the president of the association, Frank C. Ferguson, because of his effective work in editing the *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma Fraternity as well as the active role he has played in the College Fraternity Edi-

tors Association. He was presented with a plaque and thus joined Linn C. Lightner, Lambda Chi Alpha; Cecil J. Wilkinson, Phi Gamma Delta; and Chester W. Cleveland, Sigma Chi, as an editor who has served his fraternity publication for 25 years.

**P**UBLICATION of reports of officers and committees in one pamphlet saved a considerable amount of time at the conference and made it possible for the presentation of material valuable for future reference. Secretary Gilbert W. Mead stated in his report that there had been an unusually large number of inquiries concerning the accredited status of colleges, especially in regard to the schools which are changing from teacher training to a more general collegiate type.

With chapter houses overflowing, practically all chapters reactivated, and new chapters being established, the condition of college social fraternities is very gratifying, according to the report of the Committee on Public Relations, L. J. Balfour, Sigma Chi, chairman. The majority of members of most chapters are war veterans, according to the committee, and on the whole they have had a desirable effect on public relations of the fraternity movement.

As a result of their serious attitude, fraternity scholarship is making a favorable showing; chapters are being economically operated without extravagance, waste, or ostentation; Hell Week activities and other forms of objectionable juvenilism are being curtailed, if not abandoned. On the other hand, the increased amount of chapter house drinking by older men carries with it a danger that a drinking tradition may be established that will continue when teenagers and minors again constitute the major portion of chapter membership.

There exists no concentrated opposition to fraternities, according to the committee, now the most critical comments

implying a belief in fraternity benefits by arguing that these benefits should be extended to include a greater, more democratic portion of student bodies. The committee cited a need for intelligent studies on fraternity problems through the NIC and the publishing of such material.

The committee stated that the American public will expect fraternities to encourage their undergraduate members to participate faithfully in campus procedures intended to make youth well informed as to the conflicting ideas of these times. Its conclusion was: "A fraternity chapter house is an ideal place not only in which to teach the principles of democracy, but for the valuable practice of these principles and ways of self-government. The committee is of the opinion that there is no better way for fraternity undergraduates as future citizens to become well-habituated to both the principles and practices of the American kind of democracy than by effectively and efficiently practicing democracy and self-government in the chapter house and campus practicums in which they live and work."

**I**MPORTANT information concerning the relationship of fraternity chapters to federal tax laws was given in the report of the Law Committee, Frank H. Myers, chairman. It had reprinted the booklet of Kappa Alpha Order, which discloses the facts that specific exemption of national fraternities from income taxes may be secured by individual application; that active chapters do not have to withhold income taxes in paying for domestic service; that active chapters do not have to pay social security taxes with respect to student employees or domestic servants; and that chapters do not need to pay taxes on fraternity functions, dues, or initiation fees unless the expenses for the social functions are taken from a special subscription for each affair and not from general assessment against all chapter

members. The Law Committee also had had reprinted a booklet, originally issued by Phi Gamma Delta, giving an exposition of the formation of an educational foundation as a vehicle for raising funds for the benefit of the undergraduate chapter.

The committee reported that a Denver court had upheld the right of sororities to protect their badges and insignia from being reproduced by unauthorized manufacturing companies, but that the case might be appealed to the Colorado Supreme Court. The Law Committee also announced the publication of a booklet entitled "The American College Fraternity—Its Background and Contribution to the American Way of Life," which it is expected will serve in securing clarification of the Internal Revenue Code in regard to fraternities.

**T**HE NIC committee on expansion reported that the great increase on registration of men on college campuses has created a decided demand for more fraternity chapters, which had been met partially by the addition of 73 chapters in the past year and the expected installation of 109 new chapters in this present college year. Additional chapters are wanted by at least 56 colleges, while several educational institutions may be added to the list of 202 fraternity campuses this year.

**I**N welcoming the undergraduates at their first session Chairman Embury paid high praise to the National Interfraternity Conference officials who gave freely of their time and energy because, he said, they believe in youth, and they are convinced that nowhere else can college men obtain a training in the democratic way of American life quite equal to that which they receive in the American college fraternity.

Mr. Embury pointed out the disastrous effect that paddling of freshmen, ques-

tionable pre-initiation practices, drunkenness even of a few individuals, bloc voting, and political deals have not only on a particular campus, but on fraternities throughout the country.

Reports presented by conference officers showed that returned veterans, contrary to the predictions of fraternity critics, have been interested in accepting membership and that the national total enrollment is now at an all-time high—1,110,935 for the 2,553 chapters of the 59 member fraternities on the 202 fraternity campuses in this country and Canada.

Edward Kemp, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, of the University of Iowa, and James Banks, Theta Chi, from the University of Richmond, Virginia, were elected chairman and secretary, respectively, by the undergraduates. Wilbur W. Walden, executive secretary of Alpha Chi Rho, was in charge of the organization of the council and the program.

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### DILLAVOU—FOR CONGRESS?

Illinois State Representative Ora D. Dillavou, Alpha Deuteron '22, is being sought as a candidate for the Republican nomination for congress in the 1948 primaries. The following is taken from an Urbana newspaper: "The Urbana legislator has well established political contacts in at least three counties of the eight-county congressional district, and has been the top vote-getter among the legislative candidates in the last several elections."

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### EVANS COMPLETES FLIGHT

Cliff V. Evans Jr., Epsilon Triton '43 and George Truman arrived at Teterboro, New Jersey on December 10, 1947 from their globe-circling flight in Piper Cub Cruiser light planes. They took off from there on August 6th. (See November 1947 SIGNET, page 321). The flight was to prove the efficiency and dependability of American personal aircraft.

### PHI SIG ABOUNDS WITH BACKFIELD STARS

Tom Stewart, Alpha Deuteron, who completed his second year as the University of Illinois's star defensive quarterback was voted the quarterback position on the 1947 All-Phi Sigma Kappa Football Team. He has as his supporting cast such stars as Joe Scannella, Nu, sensational passer of Lehigh, Tom Aney and Ted Ayres, backfield stars of Fresno State, at left half and fullback respectively. In fact, Kappa Triton could furnish an entire backfield for the All-Phi Sigma Kappa Football Team. Because of the abundant backfield material available for our all-star football team, Bill Montgomery is given the left guard position. Bill could play anywhere on anybody's football team. He is, however, Fresno State's stellar pass flipping quarterback. He has completed 58 out of 103 attempts for 853 yards and an average of 57 per cent completions. His expert field generalship has been an important factor in Fresno States games.

Delta Chapter could also give Tom a lot of assistance in the backfield in Bud Freeze and Charlie Shrader, left half and fullback respectively, for the University of West Virginia. In Meredith Ashby, Pi Chapter, fullback for Franklin and Marshall College, Phi Sig has still another star.

Brother Jay Rhodemyre, Phi Deuteron star center on this year's University of Kentucky football team has been chosen Captain of the 1947 All-Phi Sigma Kappa Football Team. Termed the nation's outstanding center by his Coach Paul Bryant, Rhodemyre was named as center on the Associated Press third team of American selections. He was also center on the AP's all-Southeastern team.

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# Phi Sigma Kappa

By RALPH J. WATTS  
(Continued from November 1947 SIGNET)  
1936-1938

The 1936 Convention elected Earl F. Schoening as National President. He came to this high position with a thorough training in fraternity management. A graduate of the Illinois chapter in 1921, he had served as an undergraduate officer and later as an influential director of its efficient alumni corporation. For many years he had been largely responsible for the direction of the activities of the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Chicago.

In 1928 he had been elected regional Vice-President and in 1930 accepted the difficult assignment of Vice-President, Director of Finances; this task involving "inventing" the uniform accounting system and convincing the chapters that it would aid in the solution of their financial problems. The accounting system (first advocated by Lawrence in 1914) was completed after approximately five years of painstaking work by Schoening. In general it was accepted by the chapters as a distinct benefit to them.

Schoening had organized the project of making historical motion pictures of the fraternity as well as a talking movie featuring Founder Brooks and John Ashburton Cutter, the pioneer leader in nationalization. He had also been the leader in the legal reorganization of the fraternity which culminated in the adoption of the revised By-laws of 1930. His selection, therefore, at the 1936 Convention was logical and appropriate.

The only new member of the Council of 1936-1938, was Arnold R. Jones who succeeded Schoening as Vice-President, Director of Finances. Jones was an accountant by profession and associated with the budget bureau of the State of Kansas. He had served as adviser of his chapter at Manhattan, Kansas, and was thoroughly familiar with the problems of chapter finances. He had given Schoening capable assistance in formulating the uniform accounting system for chapters. He was to become a modest but influential and wise counsellor.

No changes were made in the official appointments of the Council. Watts was continued as Secretary-Treasurer, Lafean as Alumni Secretary, Herman as Chaplain, Burrows as Editor, and Batt as endowment fund trustee.

The biennium beginning with the 1936 Convention was one of the most important of the decade. Following two years of adjustment to the constitutional changes authorized by the 1934 Convention, the Council elected in 1936 was confronted with a number of serious problems. Already six chapters had become inactive since 1929 and five more (those at Carnegie Tech, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Brown) faced difficulties which threatened their existence. As in former years, the Council was reluctant to allow any of these chapters to become weaker, or to withhold any assistance within its power to extend.

In recent years the regional Vice-Presidents, because of the pressure of personal business, had found it increasingly difficult to give more than a minimum amount of time to their duties. President Schoening, noting this trend and apprehensive of the results of its continuance, proposed at the Council meeting held in the summer of 1937, to use a part of the budget appropriation for traveling expenses of regional Vice-Presidents, and other funds then available, to employ a traveling deputy for full time duty during the ensuing year. Robert L. Faber, a graduate of the Illinois chapter in 1935 and an active leader as an undergraduate, was chosen for this im-





EARL F. SCHOENING

portant post, and during the following months visited every chapter and several alumni clubs. Each chapter was notified in advance of his arrival and suggestions were made to the chapter officers concerning the most advantageous use which might be made of the time of the inspection deputy allotted to the chapter. Chapters were given a detailed inspection, and an effort was made to analyze and assist in the solution of the most pressing problems.

On the whole, chapter opinion of this program was favorable, although the results at some chapters were not as significant as had been hoped for.

An inspection deputy has an essential although a difficult task. The wide difference in type and background of members of the various chapters and the traditions surrounding each group obviously adds to the complexity of the undertaking.

At the close of the first year of this experiment, the opinion was expressed at the 1938 Convention by chapter delegates and advisers that some chapters would not benefit by an annual visit by the deputy and that at other chapters a longer period of inspection service would be more helpful; accordingly it was agreed that the program of the deputy should in the future be modified and that his efforts should be concentrated on those chapters confronted with special problems of finance or of administration.

During this two-year period, the chapter at Carnegie Institute of Technology became inactive. For several years it had been unable to initiate an adequate number of new members and inevitably, therefore, had automatically disbanded.

On November 14 and 15, 1936 Phi Beta Zeta at the American University at Washington was inducted as Epsilon Triton Chapter under the direction of Charles R. Huff and other national officers. The charter members consisted of twelve undergraduates and fourteen alumni; at the 1938 Convention the national officers could report that this chapter had made an excellent record, which led to the confident expectation that it would become a satisfactorily strong chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

On March 8, 1938 William Penn Brooks died. For nearly a decade he had been the sole surviving Founder. When his health had permitted, he attended the national conventions, which he graced by a sympathetic appreciation and kindly understanding of the ever changing problems confronting the order. He had been regarded with affectionate reverence by all members of the Fraternity who had been privileged to meet him casually or to know him intimately. He symbolized the best traditions of the Fraternity and in a unique manner exemplified those qualities of character upon which rested the initial organization and the subsequent development of the parent chapter, and which were responsible for the expansion of Phi Sigma Kappa into a fraternity of national influence and prestige.

During this period the format of THE SIGNET was changed, resulting in a more attractive magazine, and with the improvements in the contents, drew gratifying expressions of approval from alumni and undergraduates. The Council continued its policy of sending THE SIGNET free to any alumnus requesting it, and at the close of the period approximately 2,700 alumni were being reached through this medium.

In the autumn of 1936 the second pledge manual was edited by the Secretary and was distributed free to chapters and chapter advisers.

In February, 1937 another directory of members of Phi Sigma Kappa was completed and mailed from the Secretary's office. Because of limitation of funds, no similar publication had been edited since 1930.

A distinguished honor came to Phi Sigma Kappa by the election in 1936 of John H. Marchmont to the position of Treasurer of the Interfraternity Conference. He

had previously served as a member of the Executive Committee and his promotion was a well deserved recognition of many years of industrious and faithful service not only to this fraternity but in the broader activities of the Interfraternity Conference. Because of the pressure of other business, he asked to be relieved of this obligation in 1937; he continued, however, as a valued adviser to the officers of the Conference.

The solicitation of the annual contribution of \$3.00 from alumni which began in 1934 in accordance with Convention regulations produced \$1,648 in 1937-38. This represented a continuous growth of income from \$942.00 received in 1934-35.

In harmony with a recommendation of the 1936 Convention, a new certificate of membership had been designed on which should be indicated the chapter designation of the initiate.

An accounting contest had been conducted under the direction of the Council, for the purpose of stimulating interest in the accounting system and as an educational device for its operation. Awards were made to the financial officers of the chapters as follows:

M. B. Fields, University of Kentucky  
R. W. Curtis, Knox College  
J. H. Wells, University of South Carolina  
G. T. Bowman, Brown University

In an effort to secure new songs, a song contest was conducted and prizes were



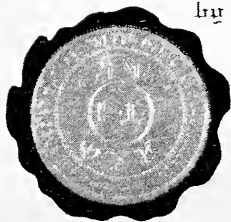
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SECRETARY

awarded to A. Lincoln Pittinger and Gordon S. Watts, undergraduates at the Swarthmore chapter and to Herbert L. Brown, an alumnus of the same chapter.

### *THE 1938 CONVENTION—SAN FRANCISCO*

The 1938 General Convention was held in San Francisco. For the first time since 1904, "Billy" McIntyre was not present, being detained at home by the illness of Mrs. McIntyre. Joe Batt also was absent.

At the 1936 Convention undergraduate delegates had taken the initiative in raising the question of increasing the undergraduate dues in order to enlarge the service which the national organization might render the active chapters, and had voted that the Council be instructed:

- "1. To analyze present conditions to determine the best means of strengthening the fraternity (by the employment of a field secretary or otherwise).
- "2. To make an analysis and approximate the annual cost of whatever plan seems to promise the most adequate solution.
- "3. To present such a plan to the 1938 Convention for action."

The Committee to which this task was assigned, was composed of Lafean, Schoening and Marchmont; they devoted a large amount of time to the consideration of the further improvement of the administration of the fraternity, and presented at the 1938 Convention a revision of the By-laws. The only section of these which was debated at any length at the Convention, pertained to the amount of annual undergraduate dues, recommended by the committee to be \$8.00. The compromise finally made was that these dues be increased from \$2.00 to \$6.00 per year. (Burrows in his report as President at the 1926 Convention had recommended annual dues of \$6.00).

Following is a brief analysis of the most important changes adopted by the revised By-laws:

The comments made by the committee pertaining to the article on membership and degrees were: "We propose a Six Degree structure, symbolic of the six Founders of the fraternity. Undergraduate members are initiated as members of the First Degree; chapter members whose ability has been manifested and have been elected to chapter office, thereupon become members of the Second Degree; the alumni automatically become members of the Third Degree; advisers and other members who are serving the fraternity in supervisory and delegated capacities are honored by advancement to the Fourth Degree. National officers elected by the General Convention, except the President, become members of the Fifth Degree, and the Presidents of Grand Chapter, become members of the Sixth Degree."

The effect of the modification pertaining to voting privileges at the General Convention was to increase the number of undergraduate votes and to restrict alumni participation in the Convention legislation, as represented by alumni club delegates, to those who had paid their Grand Chapter dues or who are Endowment Donors.

A "Court of Honor" of six, chosen from members of the Fifth and Sixth Degrees, replaced the "Supreme Court" of nine members. Lafean, a member of the committee which revised the By-laws, strongly advocated abolishing the Supreme Court because no active responsibilities were now delegated to it. Lafean's proposal, however, did not prevail, and the compromise here indicated was reached.

The recess committee had concluded that promotional work in the interest of the fraternity could be best administered by appointing a "Commissioner", in each state to represent the Council and to foster the advancement of the fraternity.

A sixth geographical region was created from the states of Idaho, Oregon, Mon-

tana and Washington, these states being separated from the area previously designated as Region V.

The position of Vice-President, Director of Scholarship, established as a national office in 1930, was by the legislation of 1938 discontinued. During this period Carl Morrow had served with distinction in this office and had been so successful in stimulating an appreciation of the necessity and value of scholarship that in effect he had made the office less necessary than formerly. Because of ill health Morrow retired from the Council in 1938. He had been one of its wisest and most loyal counsellors.

The Committee on Ritual, consisting of Lowe, Rand and Lafean, presented at the 1938 Convention the results of its long deliberation. This committee had been appointed in 1934 as a result of the frequently expressed opinion that the secret ritual should be revised and probably modified in many major respects. The following paragraphs from the report of the committee are of significance:

"This is original work. No other ceremony has been copied or mimicked. It is of unique character. Phi Sigma Kappa, hereafter, will be devoid of imitation, meaningless prank, misrepresentation, accusation. This is not the modern streamlined ceremony, for it holds fast to and strengthens the time honored traditions, symbols and characteristics of this fraternity. It is not the play-type of celebration, for its teachings use a constructive psychology, and are ageless in appeal. It is not the type of ceremony which puts on an act for the candidate; rather it puts him constantly in a position of action the better to observe and experience the true fraternal significance of our objectives and our symbolism.

"Next, and a very important point this is, it solemnizes the candidate's union with our brotherhood under circumstances which are in accord with the dignity, the honor and the high purpose of college education and more useful citizenship."

The new ritual was exemplified at a secret session of the Convention, and although criticized by some of the delegates was unanimously adopted to replace the ritual which had been observed with only minor modifications for approximately fifty years.

The outstanding accomplishments of the 1938 Convention were, therefore, the adoption of the revised By-laws and the new ritual.

One session of the Convention was designated as a training school for undergraduate officers. Brother Herman presided and spoke effectively of the responsibility and opportunity of the undergraduate officers and of the importance of the wise selection of the president and his associates. The duties of the chapter secretary were reviewed by Watts, and Arnold Jones discussed at length the operation of the official accounting system.

At another session of the Convention prepared papers on various problems of chapter management were presented by undergraduates and were enthusiastically received. The subjects were as follows:

"The Old Time Custom" (Hell Week), James H. Wolverton, Delta

"Collection of Accounts from Active Members", Robert L. Ashley, Alpha D

"How Chapters can Most Effectively Assist Each Other in Rushing", Arthur J. Neppel, Alpha T

"House Management", James W. Love, Mu D

"Scholarship", William C. Bertram, Phi D

At the convention banquet, President Schoening served as toastmaster and the speakers were Brother Herman and Dr. Arthur W. Root, who on this occasion made his last public appearance before a gathering of Phi Sigma Kappa. (He died February 26, 1939).

Schoening's administration was one of conspicuous success. Working harmoniously, an experienced Council made notable advancement as represented in the work of the committees on ritual, and By-law revision.

Insistent that every detail of administration should be carried out as perfectly as possible, Brother Schoening generously gave his time and best thought to the faithful discharge of the responsibilities which he had assumed.

## Two Phi Sigs Crowned Thirty-third Degree Masons Another Made Knight Commander



JAMES E. MacMULLAN

Brother James E. MacMullen, Beta Deuteron '10, and Brother Erling Berg, Beta Deuteron '28, were among twelve Minnesota men awarded the honorary Thirty-third Degree of Masonry at the biennial assembly of the Scottish Rite, Free Masonry, Southern jurisdiction, in Washington on November 19, 1947.

Brother Edwin A. Martini, Beta Deuteron '28, was made a Knight Commander, Court of Honor. A total of 360 Masons received the 33rd Degree and 1141 were made Knight Commanders, Court of Honor. Governor Luther Youngdahl was among those who received the honorary 33rd Degree of Masonry.

Other Phi Sigs to receive the 33rd Degree in Masonry are the late Steward W. Herman, Sr., Rho Deuteron '99 and Karl J. Mohr, Delta Deuteron '13, (see January, 1945 SIGNET, Page 26).

Brother MacMullen is a Charter Member of Beta Deuteron and for 18 years was treasurer of the Phi Sigma Kappa Alumni Club in Minneapolis. He has been a member of Lake Harriet Lodge, 277 A. F. & A. M. since 1921, and of the Scottish Rite since 1922. He is a Past Patron Lake Harriet Chapter No. 202—O. E. S.

Brother MacMullen is secretary of the Refrigeration and Industrial Supply Company of which Brother Frank Pond, Delta Deuteron '24, is president.

Brother Berg received his LLB Degree from the University of Minnesota in 1930 and is now practicing law in Duluth, Minnesota.

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# Chapter Hymeneal

## LEWIS-BALLENTINE

Brother Orlyn C. (Lew) Lewis, Delta Deuteron '48, was married to Miss Dottie Ballentine during the Thanksgiving week-end. The ceremony took place at the Brewster Pilgrim Congregational Church in Detroit, Michigan on November 29, 1947.

The bride, who is an alumna of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority, was studying in the University of Michigan Graduate School prior to this semester. Brother Lewis is now finishing his senior year at the University of Michigan.

Three other Delta Deuteron men played prominent parts in the wedding, which was well attended by men from the Ann Arbor Chapter. Brother William Gross, '46, was best man and Brothers William McAnaninch, '48, and Glenn Bauer, '48, were ushers.

## STEPHENS-SCHMIDT

Brother Robert E. Schmidt, Nu '48, was obliged, like many other fellows, to interrupt his education for Uncle Sam. His service was mainly in Bermuda, where he met Prudence Stephens. After a courtship by mail and a few visits, Brother Schmidt was able to return from Bermuda with Miss Stephens as his bride.

The couple were married in Bermuda on July 10, 1947. Following the wedding a reception was held at the bride's home and then the newly-weds took off for a honeymoon in Bermuda.

Brother Schmidt returned to the United States the last part of the summer bringing with him Mrs. Schmidt and intentions of taking up where he left off at Lehigh University.

## HOLLIMAN-HAM

Brother William Ham, Lambda '47, and Miss Peggy Holliman were united in marriage in a beautiful candlelight ceremony on September 6, 1947 in St. Paul's

Episcopal Church, Alexandria, Virginia. Brother Stan Williams, Lambda '47, served as best man and the following



MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM HAM

brothers ushered: Elton Murphy, John Dusenberre, Bob McCoskey and Bill Carroll.

A reception followed the ceremony at Collingwood on the Potomac, with Lambda's entire active chapter among the invited guests.

Mrs. Ham is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority.

## McENTOSH-YARROW

In a candlelight service on September 3, 1947 at 6 P. M., Morris Edward Yarrow, Theta Triton '49, and Miss Hilda Florence McEntosh were united in marriage at the University Baptist Church, Austin, Texas.

Dr. Tillman Dodd gave the bride in

marriage. She wore a gown of ivory taffeta with a corsage of talisman roses and a coronet of American Beauty roses. She was attended by Miss Pearl L. Waddell, who wore a gown of pastel yellow. A reception followed at the home of Broth-



MR. AND MRS. MORRIS E. YARROW

er Dr. Frederick J. and Mrs. Adams. After the reception a dinner was given for members of the wedding party at the Hitching Post.

Brother Robert Adams attended the groom as best man, and Brothers Johnny Stanford and William Pfennig were the ushers. Other Theta Triton men present were: Brothers Douglas McNair, Kenyon Elliott, Reagan Carpenter and Raymond Waddell.

Miss McEntosh, the daughter of Mrs. Arthur Byrd of Hope, Arkansas, attended the University of Texas and graduated from Brackenridge Nursing School.

She is now a Registered Nurse at Brackenridge Hospital.

Brother Yarrow is a junior at the University of Texas. During the war he served with the medical air evacuation unit—the 830th—in the Pacific Theatre. He is the son of Mr. Edward F. Yarrow of San Benito, Texas and Mrs. Edna Yarrow of Mercedes, Texas. Brother Yarrow is a life member of Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity.

After a two week honeymoon in Monterrey, Mexico and a week in Reynosa, Mexico, San Benito and Mercedes, Texas, Brother and Mrs. Yarrow returned to Austin where they will make their home.

#### DAILEY-DITTMAR

Brother William C. Dittmar, Nu '50, and Miss Marjorie E. Dailey of Annville, Pennsylvania were united in matrimony on July 19, 1947, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Men of Nu Chapter attending the reception were: Brothers Chesnut, Glenn, Hattal, Lamson, O'Brien, Raffensperger, Ridinger, and Young.

On their honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Dittmar went to Bermuda where they visited Brother Robert E. Schmidt, Nu '48, also recently married.

#### HARVEY-BUSHMAIER

Brother Pat Bushmaier, Lambda '50, was married recently to Miss Nell Harvey. Brother Ray Tyler, Lambda '50, acted as best man.

#### HUDSON-EYCHISON

Brother Vernon Eychison, Lambda '50, was married during the summer to Miss Jean Hudson. The ceremony was performed at St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C. Brother Jack Holt, Lambda '50, was best man and the following brothers ushered: Bob Pittman, Harry Seybert, and Ray Howar.

A reception followed in the garden of the bride's home.



**PIERSON-NETTLES**

Brother George Nettles and Miss Jackie Pierson were married at West Hampton Beach, Long Island on June 14, 1947.

Brother Nettles is a member of Alpha Triton Chapter, class of 1948.

**GIEDRAITIS-KRIPAS**

Brother Mike Kripas, Alpha Triton Chapter, class of 1949, was married to Miss Bea Giedraitis on August 2, 1947.

**BLAKE-MAYER**

Brother East Mayer, Alpha Triton Chapter, class of 1948, was married to Miss Sue Blake in Chicago, Illinois on September 14, 1947.

Mrs. Mayer is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority at Lawrence College.

**NICHLIN-GRAIM**

Brother Dick Graim, Lambda '49, and Miss Betty Nichlin were married on August 16, 1947 at St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C. Brother Jim Tomlinson, Gamma Triton '40, was best man and Brother John Gray, Lambda '51, and Elton Murphy, Lambda '50, ushered.

**GERSPACHER-GRAINGER**

Brother Stanley Grainger, Mu Deuteron '48, President of Mu Deuteron Chapter, and Miss Betty Gerspacher were united in marriage on December 20, 1947. The wedding took place in Billings, Montana.

**THOMPSON-MONCURE**

Brother Tom Moncure, Lambda '48, and Miss Ruth Thompson were married on September 13, 1947 in Forrest Hill, Maryland. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father. The following brothers were among the wedding party: John Gray, Bill Hines, Ernest (Buddy) Belote, and George Hook.

**WEBSTER-ADAMS**

Brother Welles Vorce Adams, Chi '47, was married to Grace Dorothy Webster on Saturday, October 11, 1947 in the South Congregational Church at Hartford, Connecticut. Brother Charles F. Cole, Chi '47, was best man, and Brothers Richard Gray, Chi '48, David A. Traylor, Chi '45, and Dudley Hawley, Chi '50, were ushers.

Brother Adams, who served as a Lieutenant in the Army Air Corps in World War II, is now employed by the Phoenix Mutual Insurance Company. The couple will live in Hartford.

**UTTERBACK-JAMISON**

Brother Bob Jamison and Miss Virginia Utterback were united in marriage during the Thanksgiving holidays. Brother Jamison is a member of Delta Chapter.

**OSBOUNE-STALNAKER**

Brother Ruffner F. Stalnaker and Miss Jewel Osbourne were married earlier this year. Brother Stalnaker is a member of Delta Chapter, class of 1945.

**JOHNS-PERRY**

During the Christmas season Brother John Perry, Jr. and Miss Marie Johns were united in marriage. Brother Perry is a member of Delta Chapter, class of 1945, and Mrs. Perry is a member of Alpha Phi Sorority.

**METZ-KNOTTS**

Brother Donald Knotts and Kay Metz were married during the Christmas season. Brother Knotts is a member of Delta Chapter, class of 1946, and Mrs. Knotts is a member of Alpha Delta Pi Sorority.

**JOHNSTON-DAVIS**

Brother Ralph J. Davis and Miss Betty Jean Johnston were also married during the holiday season. Brother Davis is a member of Delta Chapter, class of 1948.

**BERGERON-EBERT**

Brother Howard Ebert, Beta Deuteron '38, and Miss Suzanne Bergeron were married at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Rosary in Duluth, Minnesota on October 25, 1947.

**HOXIE-POTTER**

Brother Richard Potter and Miss Dorothy Hoxie were married in Milton, Massachusetts on September 20, 1947. Brother Potter is a member of Omicron Chapter, class of 1947. The ceremony was attended by twenty members of Phi Sigma Kappa.

**McKENNA-LUSTI**

Brother John Lusti was married to Miss Helen McKenna on August 30, 1947. Brother Lusti is a member of Omicron Chapter, class of 1943. The couple now reside in New Jersey.

**PICINICH-ST. GERMAIN**

Brother James St. Germain, Omicron '44, was united in marriage to Miss Loretta Picinich in New Orleans, Louisiana on June 26, 1947. The couple spent their honeymoon in Nashville, Tennessee. They are now living in New Orleans.

**SMITHERS-RANGLES**

Brother Merritt E. Randles, Nu '26, was united in marriage to Miss Helen R. Smithers on July 29, 1947 at Morristown, New York.

**SMITH-VAN VALKENBURG**

Brother Curt Van Valkenburg, Iota '48, married Miss Gertrude Smith of Hoboken, New Jersey on September 20, 1947. A reception was held at the Union Club and was very well attended by the members of Iota Chapter.

The following marriages have also been reported: Brother Carl Patterson, Epsilon Triton '50, was married to Miss Shirley Robinson in an early May cere-

mony, and Brother Art Kamm, Epsilon Triton '49, was married to Miss Ella Clare Hawks on September 13.

**CONGRATULATIONS! FOUR FIRSTS FOR XI**

The SIGNET congratulates Xi Chapter on its excellent record in being the top-ranking fraternity in four classifications. It is significant that two of these endeavors are in the field of scholarship. Xi Chapter led all fraternities at St. Lawrence University the second semester of the last academic year with a scholarship average of 79.903 for 67 men. It also has placed seven men on the Deans Honor List; a percentile of 41% of all the fraternity men listed on the Deans list.

Xi Chapter also had the highest percentage of returns from bids sent out during rush period. Ninety-two per cent of the bids of Xi Chapter were accepted.

The forth first came to Xi Chapter in winning the Intramural Football League championship.

The Xi Chapter Christmas Party for children of the Good Helpers Orphanage of Ogdensburg, New York also attracted considerable attention in northern New York. Twenty-eight children were entertained at the chapter house. They were brought to Canton, New York from Ogdensburg in a bus chartered by Xi Chapter.

Joseph Betch of Canton staged a magician show and Mlle. Liliépvre and three students, Miss Betty Littlejohn, Kenneth Damon and Gene Wright, put on a puppet show. After the entertainment, refreshments were served.

After it was over the brothers decided they had enjoyed the party as much as the children and they are already looking forward to next years party.

**\$30**

**BUY A LIFE MEMBERSHIP  
RECEIVE THE SIGNET FOR LIFE**

## Babygrams

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dennis announce the birth of a baby girl on November 16, 1947.

Brother Dennis was Chapter Adviser of Omicron Deuteron Chapter and a graduate of the University of Alabama, class of 1943.

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A son, Robert, Lambda '67, was born to Brother and Mrs. Merlin E. Giddings, Lambda '50 on June 11, 1947. Bobby has already attended his first Phi Sig function, having his afternoon nap at the house while his folks enjoyed a tea dance.

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A son, Robert Owen, was born to Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Henninger, Lambda '31, on February 27, 1947. Brother Henninger is Chapter Adviser for Lambda.

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A son, James Lloyd, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Nyman, Delta Deuteron '34 on August 21, 1947. Young Jim was made very welcome by his sisters, Caroline, 6, and Rosemary, 3.

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Mr. and Mrs. John W. McConnell announce the birth of a daughter, Margaret Stuart McConnell, on November 8, 1947.

Brother McConnell, Omega '40, is a dealer in rare books at Berkeley, California.

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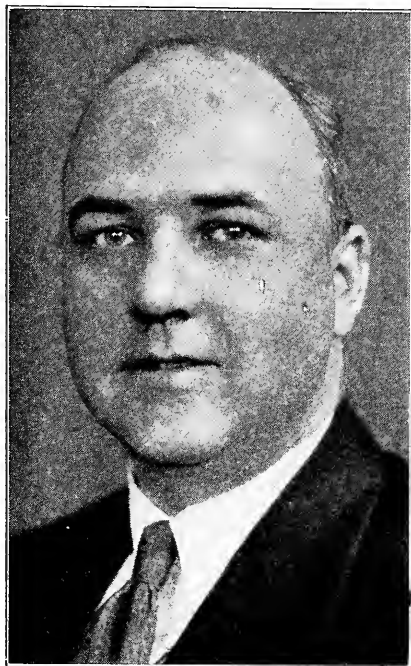
Mr. and Mrs. "Red" Witt are beaming over daughter Sherrill who was born August 2, 1947.

Brother Witt is a member of Alpha Triton Chapter, class of 1948.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carl Howard have announced the birth of their daughter. Miss Howard was born at the Lafayette St. Elizabeth Hospital and has been christened Cheryl Ann.

Brother Howard is in the Trade and Industrial School at Purdue University



G. Lloyd Wilson, Phi '18, has been elected an honorary member of the British Institute of Traffic Administration and Director of Education in the American Society of Traffic and Transportation.

and is a member of Delta Triton Chapter, class of 1949.

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A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Granlund, Omicron '45, in July, 1947. He weighed in at seven pounds and seven and a half ounces.

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A daughter, Claudia Eileen, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Wilson at the Lancaster General Hospital, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, on May 13, 1947.

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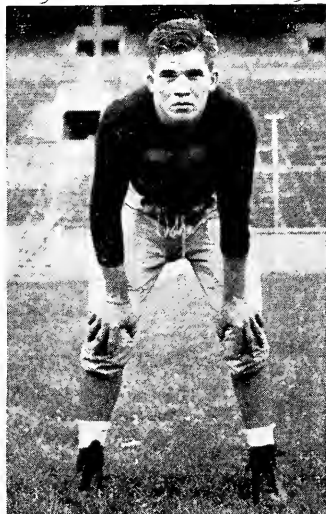
On August 21, 1947 a son, John Charles, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John T. Gary, Kappa '43.

After his discharge from the Army, Brother Gary returned to Continental Oil Company in Wichita Falls, Texas. In March, 1947 he was promoted to District Petroleum Engineer for the Wichita Falls district.

# 1947 ALL PHI SIGMA KAPPA FOOTBALL TEAM

**Φ Σ Κ**

*Quarterback*  
**TOM STEWART**  
Alpha Deuteron—Illinois



*Right Halfback*  
**JOE SCANNELLA**  
Nu — Lehigh



*Right End*  
**JAMES CASE**  
Nu — Lehigh



*Right Tackle*  
**WILLIAM C. DITTMAR**  
Nu — Lehigh



*Right Guard*  
**W. O. WELLMAN**  
Beta Triton — Knox





*Fullback*  
TED AYRES  
Kappa Triton — Fresno State



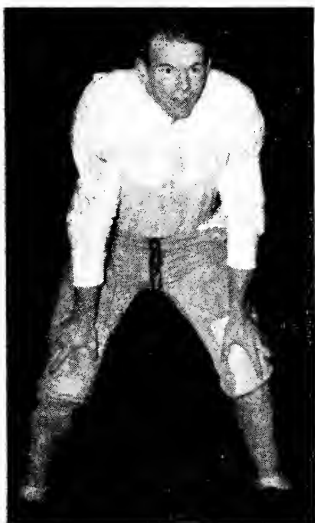
*Captain and Center*  
JAY RHODEMYRE  
Phi Deuteron—Kentucky



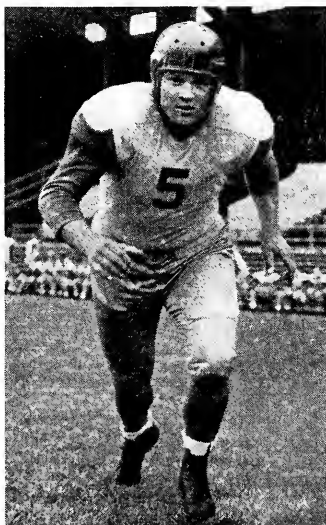
*Left Halfback*  
TOM ANEY  
Kappa Triton — Fresno State

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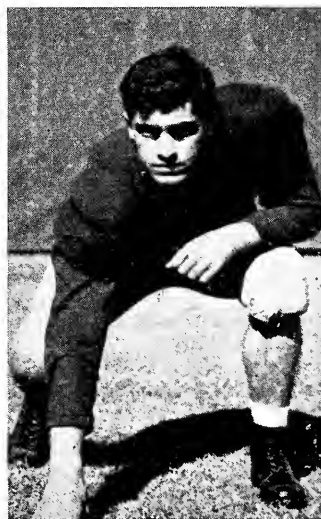
*Left Guard*  
BILL MONTGOMERY  
Kappa Triton — Fresno State



*Left Tackle*  
GEORGE SAVITSKY  
Mu—Pennsylvania



*Left End*  
JOE BUSCEMI  
Alpha Deuteron—Illinois



# Knighthood Conferred Upon Dr. Charles F. Nelson

On September 12 knighthood was conferred upon **Brother Charles F. Nelson** Chi '08, of Beverly Hills, Calif., by Walter G. Danielson, Swedish consul at Los Angeles. In a statement issued from the Swedish consulate, Mr. Danielson de-



CHARLES F. NELSON

clared that "Sweden has consistently recognized the individual and by this recognition has stimulated individual effort and enterprise, not only in Sweden, but throughout all the nations of the world. The Nobel prize is perhaps the most noted form of individual recognition, but other insignia have been conferred, and among them is the Royal Order of Vasa, First Class. This insignia is a reward bestowed by his Majesty, King Gustav the Fifth of Sweden,

on individuals who have achieved outstanding success in varied lines of endeavor that have added permanent values to the respective communities. Occasionally citizens of Swedish heritage in the United States become so honored when their achievements have promoted the general welfare of the people of this country and credit for the Swedish nation. It is gratifying, therefore, to take part in the knighting of Charles F. Nelson, M.D., because of his achievement in the process of medicine and surgery and because of his scientific role in the field of medical research."

The Vasa Order is one of the four existing Swedish Orders of Knighthood. It was inaugurated by King Gustavus III on the occasion of his coronation in 1772. King Gustavus III was keenly interested in the intellectual and social welfare of his people. He encouraged education, scientific research, appreciation of music and the arts, and social reform. He inaugurated the Vasa Order to stimulate and encourage others to apply themselves to the task of building higher and better intellectual, social, scientific and cultural standards. It is conferred as a recognition of and a reward for outstanding and meritorious public service. It carries with it no obligations to the Swedish Government and is awarded solely on the basis of merit, irrespective of the nationality of the recipient.

Brother Nelson was awarded the Bronze Medal by the American Medical Association for his original research in bone metabolism in 1940 and the Ling medal for work for children in 1938; he also received an award from the California State Medical Association on his physicochemical approach to the study of bone problems. His most extensive

research has been in the experimental and clinical demonstrations of the effects of nutritional deficiencies on all important tissues of the body.

Dr. Nelson's greatest contribution to medical practice is the comprehensive biochemical and biophysical approach to the study and treatment of the degenerative diseases, such as dental, heart, blood vessels, liver and kidney diseases, arthritis, and other bone diseases, allergic conditions, nervous and mental diseases and anemias. There are many causes acting simultaneously which produce these diseases.

Through the evaluation of extensive laboratory tests, the clinical observations of thousands of patients and the verification of these conclusions through animal experimentation, sufficient data has been obtained to classify with considerable degree of accuracy, certain biophysical and biochemical factors as causative agents of the degenerative diseases. This information makes it possible to prevent degeneration of tissue in the early stages before gross manifestations or symptoms have developed.

The animal experimentation was carried on to obtain a clear concept of the nature and extent of the damage to the cell structure of all important tissue resulting from nutritional deficiencies of each of the vitamins, minerals, and protein. The specific damages to the cell structure of these tissues have been recorded on microphotographs.

By the adoption of this comprehensive study of each individual, together with the thorough eradication of infections, there will be a reasonable assurance of the production of well-born, healthy infants, the development of normal, creative adolescents and the maintenance of efficient, productive adults.

Brother Nelson was born on a farm in LaFayette, Illinois. He graduated from Toulon Academy at Toulon, Illinois, in 1904. His pre-medical education was ob-

tained at Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts, and the University of Chicago where he received his Bachelor of Science Degree. In 1911, he received his degree of Doctor of Medicine from Rush Medical College, University of Chicago.

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### THE LIFE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM—FACTS AND FIGURES

In 1945 the Council of the Grand Chapter enacted legislation whereby subsequent initiates of Phi Sigma Kappa became Paid-Up Life Members upon the payment of \$30 in three annual installments during their college career. The advantages of the Life Membership Program provide each Life Member with exemption from the payment of all further national alumni dues plus a lifetime subscription to *The SIGNET*, our fraternity magazine.

The Life Membership Program further provides that any member of Phi Sigma Kappa initiated prior to its adoption in October of 1945 may become a Paid-Up Life Member by the payment of \$30. Since inauguration over one hundred Phi Sig alumni have exercised this privilege by purchasing Paid-Up Life Memberships. The Council hopes that, as this program progresses, all Phi Sig alumni will wish to participate by becoming Paid-Up Life Members. Checks should be drawn in favor of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa and should be mailed to Earl F. Schoening, Secretary-Treasurer, Suite 1122, 10 S. La Salle Street, Chicago 3, Illinois.

All money paid to the Paid-Up Life Membership Fund is invested under the jurisdiction of the Council of the Grand Chapter as a trust fund. The interest earning on the investment and a portion of the principal is used each year to endow the cost of publication of *The SIGNET* for Life Members.

# PHI SIGMA KAPPA GUEST REGISTER

NAME	ADDRESS	CHAPTER AND CLASS	COLLEGE	DATE
Richard G. Novak	Riverside, Ill.	Beta Triton '43	Knox	March 27, 1947
William N. Frost	Oak Park, Ill.	Beta Triton '41	Knox	March 27, 1947
R. N. Emmertz	Riverside, Ill.	Beta Triton '35	Knox	March 27, 1947
Tom Green	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '40	Knox	March 27, 1947
Robert C. Heydon	Evanston, Ill.		Wisconsin	March 27, 1947
Kenneth R. Jones	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '41	Knox	March 31, 1947
Louise Powell	Glendale, Calif.	Pi Beta Phi '49	Knox	March 31, 1947
Lewis L. Schrecengost	Earlville, Ill.	Beta Triton '44	Knox	March 31, 1947
Robert E. Bartz	Benton Harbor, Mich.	Beta Triton '44	Knox	March 31, 1947
Theodore A. Parker	Park Ridge, Ill.	Beta Triton '50	Knox	March 31, 1947
James S. Moser	Oak Park, Ill.	Beta Triton '50	Knox	March 31, 1947
Calvin A. Page	Arlington Heights, Ill.	Beta Deuteron '49	Minnesota	March 31, 1947
Ralph J. Watts	Appleton, Wis.	Alpha '07	Mass. State	
G. L. McQuiston	Phoenix, Ariz.	Delta '46	West Virginia	
Bruce C. Bean	Seattle, Wash.	Theta Deuteron '22	Oregon State	
Carol R. Johnson	Coloma, Mich.	Pi Beta Phi '41	Knox	
J. W. Lyddon	Rockford, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '47	Illinois	
Thomas G. Hurysz	Champaign, Ill.	Alpha Zeta Delta '48	Illinois	
John Severins	Urbana, Ill.	Pi Beta Phi '04	Illinois	
J. Russell Easton	Chicago, Ill.		Iowa	
Rudolph W. Anderson	Portland, Ore.	Chi Deuteron '34	Washington State	
Charles B. Robison	Des Plaines, Ill.	Beta Triton '34	Knox	June 12, 1947
Tom Green	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '40	Knox	June 12, 1947
Harris V. Helgson	Palatine, Ill.	Beta Triton '36	Knox	June 12, 1947
Ben Baker	Des Plaines, Ill.	Beta Triton '50	Knox	June 16, 1947
William E. Larson, Jr.	Los Angeles, Calif.	Nu Deuteron '48	Stanford	June 18, 1947
Jim Moser	Oak Park, Ill.	Beta Triton '48	Knox	June 18, 1947
John J. Rudolf, Jr.	New York City	Omicron '48	M.I.T.	June 23, 1947
Robert C. Weber	Schenectady, N. Y.	Omicron '50	M.I.T.	June 23, 1947
John H. Redpath III	Amsterdam, N. Y.	Omicron '49	M.I.T.	June 23, 1947
William R. Reynolds	Canton, Mass.	Omicron '49	M.I.T.	June 23, 1947
John W. Leonard, Jr.	Fort Knox, Ky.	Omicron '47	M.I.T.	June 23, 1947
James F. Robertson	Thornwood, N. Y.	Theta Delta Xi '47	M.I.T.	July 1, 1947
John R. Saxe	Bay Shore, N. Y.	Theta Delta Xi '49	M.I.T.	July 1, 1947
Hallie Roesch	Chicago, Ill.			July 3, 1947
Edward W. Randall	Bolton, Mass.	Epsilon Deuteron '49	W.P.I.	July 12, 1947
David E. Thomas	New Haven, Conn.	Pi Deuteron '42	Gettysburg	July 17, 1947
Charles E. Lilien	Barrington, Ill.	Lambda '50	Geo.-Wash. U.	July 24, 1947
Lawrence W. Yearke	Wellsville, N. Y.	Phi '46	Swarthmore	July 25, 1947
Jack T. Turner	Clarksburg, W. Va.	Delta '44	West Virginia U.	July 29, 1947
Wilbur M. Walden	New York City	Alpha Xi Pi '11	Cornell Univ.	July 29, 1947



# Chapter Invisible

## FREDERICK G. FARQUHAR

Frederick G. Farquhar, a founder of Mu Chapter, class of 1900, passed away on November 19, 1947 at Evans Memorial Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts. Brother Farquhar, who was born in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, was 69 years of age.

As a student at the University of Pennsylvania and secretary for the group of petitioners at the University of Pennsylvania interested in a charter of Phi Sigma Kappa, he made the arrangements with Brother John Ashburton Cutter, who was then inductor of Phi Sigma Kappa, to meet with the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa in New York City and plead their case. He was instrumental in influencing the council to act favorably upon the petition presented by his group on February 18, 1900. This group which became Mu Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa was chartered on March 10 following. Brother Farquhar was one of the eleven initiates.

Brother Farquhar was elected Treasurer of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa at the Washington Convention, November 14 and 15, 1902. As treasurer he was representative of the Council who inspected the Nevonia Society that autumn. The Nevonia Society became Pi Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa at Franklin and Marshall College on April 18, 1903. Brother Farquhar, Brother Worm, the then President of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, and an induction team from Mu Chapter inducted Pi. In 1912, the Baltimore Convention elected Brother Farquhar to the Court of Honor.

Brother Farquhar, who always remained active in the University of Pennsylvania's alumni activities, was a member of the firm of Boit, Dalton and Church, Boston, Massachusetts insurance

brokers. He entered the insurance business in Boston in 1903 as a clerk in the office of John A. Page and was later associated with the William A. Hamilton Company. When the latter firm was taken over by Boit, Dalton and Church, he became a partner.

Brother Farquhar was for many years a resident of Billerica. He was a former president of the Boston Protective Department and of the Rotary Club of Everett.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Frances Parker Farquhar, he leaves a son, Nelson P. Farquhar; a half-brother, Walter S. Farquhar; a sister, Miss A. M. Farquhar, and two grandchildren.

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## HARRISON A. KINCAID

Harrison A. Kincaid, Knox, class of 1925, Charter Member of the Beta Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa died suddenly of a heart attack on November 28, 1947. He was 46 years old.

An active participant in securing a Phi Sig chapter at Knox during his college days, Brother Kincaid's fraternity interest never waned. He served as a trustee of the Beta Triton Alumni Corporation and influenced many of his students to attend his Alma Mater and to become members of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Upon his graduation Brother Kincaid taught and coached high school basketball at Palatine, Illinois for six years, producing two championship teams. In the spring of 1931 he went to Crane Technical High School in Chicago, where he had taught science and photography continuously since that date, except for the war period.

Receiving his commission as a Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Reserve in 1925, Brother Kincaid was active in the R. O. T. C. many years. He entered active

service in August, 1943, serving as an instructor in the Army Air Forces until his discharge from active service last February as a Major.

As a leader in civic enterprises in his local community throughout his lifetime, Brother Kincaid's accomplishments were many and varied. He was President of the Palatine High School Board of Education for 9 years, former Scoutmaster and Cub Scoutmaster, was instrumental in securing passage of a bond issue for a new high school building, a sponsor of consolidation of the rural schools, organizer of Red Cross drives, paper drives, scrap drives—in short, a leader in anything that was for the welfare of humanity, youth, or good of the community. He was a member of the Lion's Club, Masonic Lodge, and American Legion.

Of him it was said, "In his professional work and in his religious and community activities he was one of whom all could rely for enthusiasm and intelligent cooperation. He was unselfish with his own time and talent, had a great capacity for work, and the driving force to take the initiative to get things done. His sudden death was a shock to the community—his cheery smile and ever helping hand are gone from the life and activities of the community."

Surviving are his wife Maybelle; two sons, Tom and Don; his father, and three brothers.

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### JAMISON MEREDITH

Brother Jamison Meredith, Delta '24, 44 years of age, died suddenly of a heart attack in the home of a friend in Steubenville, Ohio on October 9, 1947.

Brother Meredith was a son of the late Judge James A. Meredith, former member of the West Virginia Supreme Court, and Mrs. Gillian Jamison Meredith. He was born in Fairmont, West Virginia on August 5, 1903 and received his education in the local schools.

After attending Northwestern Military Academy in Wisconsin, he attended

West Virginia University. He was a former president of Delta Chapter. He received his LL.B. degree from Harvard Law School.

Following his admission to the local bar, Mr. Meredith was associated in practice with his father for several years and upon the death of the latter, joined the federal legal service.

For a time he was connected with the legal section of the Bituminous Coal Division, U. S. Department of the Interior and at the termination of that agency, transferred to the legal division of the U. S. Bureau of Internal Revenue. He worked for this agency both in Washington and in San Francisco, California, spending most of the war years on the Pacific Coast.

He was married on October 10, 1931 to Miss Elizabeth Armstrong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Armstrong of Washington, D. C., who survives in addition to a son, Jamison Meredith, Jr.

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### ARNOLD J. STEVENS

Brother Arnold J. Stevens, Kappa '16, 53 years of age, died on August 26, 1947 at a hospital in Oakland, California.

He is a graduate of Pennsylvania State College where he studied electrical engineering. He has been a resident of Oakland, California for 20 years.

Brother Stevens served as a first lieutenant in the ordnance department in World War I, and 20 years ago became associated with the Westinghouse Electric Company in Oakland. During World War II he was a colonel in the inspector-general's office, and at the time of his death he was resale manager for Westinghouse's Pacific Coast district.

He was a Mason and a member of the Piedmont Men's Club. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary M. Stevens; a daughter, Nancy; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arch D. Stevens; two brothers, Aldrich M. Stevens, and Fred E. Stevens; and a sister Mrs. Elizabeth S. Leary.

### **TOMLINSON CARLISLE ULBRICHT**

Brother Tomlinson Carlisle Ulbricht, Gamma '08, died suddenly after a severe heart attack on Sunday, July 20, 1947.

Brother Ulbricht was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee, on January 21, 1885.

He was a graduate of Cornell University where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa fraternity.

For a number of years, he and his family lived in Havana, Cuba where he was consulting engineer for the Honolulu Iron Works. In March, 1938 he became associated with the A. B. Segur Company—Method Engineers at Oak Park, Illinois and has been a resident of Oak Park since that time. He was the Editor of the "Bulletin," a publication of the A. G. Segur Company.

The day before his death, Brother Ulbricht wrote a report on formula rate setting that showed that he had attained his goal of becoming a great engineer. He had developed one of the simplest plans for the setting of assembly rates that has ever been developed. The morning of his funeral the report was adopted. The program is being carried on by the plant analyst that he had trained.

Surviving are his widow, Beatrice, and his children, Tomlinson, Jr., Jones Grenville, Mrs. Beatrice Brune, Mrs. Sybil Baker, and five grandsons.

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### **SAMUEL R. MILLMAN**

Brother Samuel R. Millman, Phi '07, died suddenly of a heart attack on Saturday, October 25, 1947. He was 64 years old.

Brother Millman served two terms of office as Mayor of Ferguson, Missouri, around the year 1930. He was the Consulting Engineer for the Aetna Casualty and Surety Company in St. Louis, Missouri. He was with the Aetna Company for 29 years.

Brother Millman was the former Master of Ferguson Lodge No. 542, A.

F. and A. M., a member of the Scottish Rite and the Engineers' Club.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Bettie Knott Millman, and a daughter, Mrs. Ruth K. Worfler.

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### **KENNETH M. FOOTE**

Kenneth M. Foote, Gamma '08, died of a heart attack in Los Angeles, California on June 28, 1946.

Brother Foote was born in Mont Clair, New Jersey on December 10, 1885. He married Miss Ruth Olga Busk of Brunswick, Georgia, in Houston, Texas on June 6, 1925. During World War I, he was a First Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Air Service.

Brother Foote was Fishing Editor of the "Field and Stream" magazine and was associated with Tom Castain in "Cavalcade" magazine.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Ruth Busk Foote, and a brother, John Taintor Foote.

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### **SIDNEY N. PETERS, JR.**

Brother Sidney N. Peters, Jr., Nu '30, died November 23, 1947 at his home in Summit, New Jersey. He passed away at the age of 39.

Brother Peters attended public school at Sharon Hill, Pennsylvania, and graduated from the Upper Darby High School and Lehigh University.

He was the Vice-President and Director of the Lawrence Portland Cement Company of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Surviving are his wife, Frances Bradford Peters; two sons, Sidney N., 3rd, and James A.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney N. Peters; a brother, Hugh G., and a sister, Mrs. R. E. Kilbourne.

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### **HENRY N. CHUBB**

Brother Henry N. Chubb, Mu '23, passed away suddenly on Tuesday, November 18, 1947. He was 46 years old.

Brother Chubb, who resided in Roslyn, Pennsylvania became ill in Beach Haven, New Jersey. With no warning he lapsed

into unconsciousness, which continued, uninterrupted, until he died that evening.

Brother Chubb was Special Agent for the United States Casualty Company in the South Jersey district. He was very highly thought of by his friends and associates and was considered by some to be the best Special Agent in the casualty line.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Edith Gill Chubb; a daughter, Mrs. Edith Zackey; two sons, Ralph, a junior at Lehigh University, and Gill, a sophomore at Pennsylvania State College, and a granddaughter, Elaine Adele Zackey.

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### ALAN LANPHIER STEVENSON

Brother Alan L. Stevenson, Iota Triton '50, was accidentally killed on September 1, 1947, as the result of a swimming accident in Hazardville, Connecticut. Brother Stevenson, a veteran of the past war, during which he was in the Army Air Corps, was a friend of all who knew him.

Brother Stevenson was Treasurer of Iota Triton Chapter and Vice-President of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity.

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### PHI SIGMA KAPPA ORGANIZES FOUNDATION

Brothers Herbert L. Brown, Phi '16, William A. McIntyre, Mu '04, William E. Zimmerman, Lambda '23, and Leighton P. Stradley, Mu '06, are the incorporators of the Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation, Incorporated, incorporated on October 6, 1947 in the State of Delaware.

Trustees of the Foundation for the three-year term are; Don A. Hamilton, Epsilon Deuteron '11, Arthur M. Metzler, Alpha Deuteron '16, Earl F. Schoening, Alpha Deuteron '21, Ralph J. Watts, Alpha '07, and Cedric Foster, Tau '24; for the two-year term are; Herbert L. Brown, Phi '16, William A. McIntyre, Mu '04, Raymond G. Lafean, Mu '19, Leighton P. Stradley, Mu '06, and William F.

Wood, Xi '10; for the one-year term are: Warren W. Getchell, Beta Deuteron '12, George S. Cook, Lambda Deuteron '28, George M. Campbell, Alpha '20, George W. Stark, Alpha Deuteron '31, and William E. Zimmerman, Lambda '23.

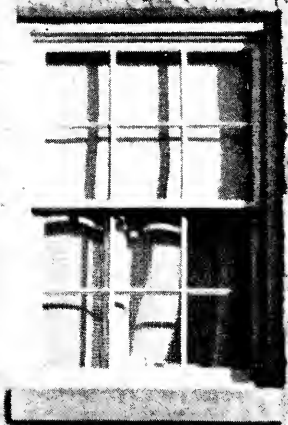
The first meeting of the Trustees was held in Philadelphia on November 5, 1947. At this meeting the following officers were elected: Arthur M. Metzler, President, Herbert L. Brown, Vice-President, Earl F. Schoening, Secretary and Treasurer. The following Executive Committee was also elected: Earl F. Schoening, Chairman, George W. Stark, and Ralph J. Watts.

One of the purposes of the Foundation is to further develop the Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa particularly the stimulation of scholarship which the Foundation hopes to do through the promotion of scholarships. The Trustees of the Foundation hope to have it qualified to receive income tax deductible gifts. More about the Foundation later.

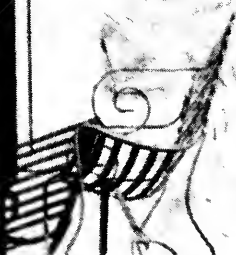
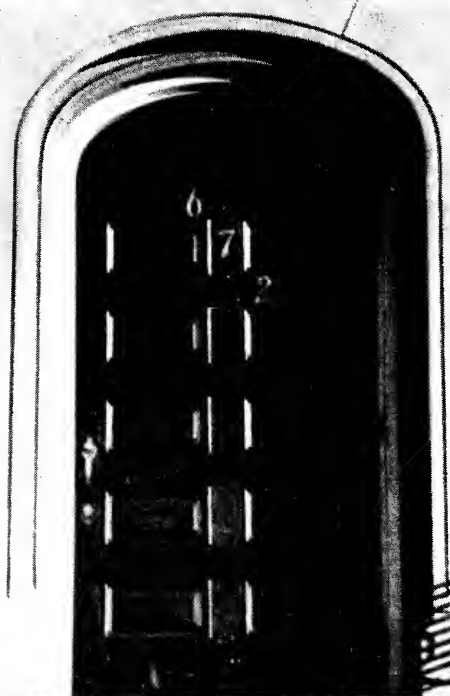
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### DELTA PORTAL

The Chapterette Introduction picture is that of Delta Portal. Through this chapter house doorway at 672 North High Street, Morgantown, West Virginia have passed and continue to pass a United States Senator, Representatives, Governors of West Virginia, State Legislators, famous judges, great lawyers, recognized leaders in the fields of education, divinity, science, commerce, industry and the arts; rushees full of anticipation, brothers fired by eagerness, loving parents of these aspiring young people, the returning veteran, glad to be home, the beautiful co-eds and girls from home but most important is the fact that it is a Portal to Brotherhood, that quality which has so enriched our lives and which could do so much to solve the problems of this unhappy world. This year it is our hope that undemocratic nations will soon come to this realization.



# CHAPTERETTES



## DELTA

### West Virginia University

By ROBERT "SMOKEY" GROVE

As the school year progresses, Delta Chapter has steadily increased the intensity of its activities. Social events have been kept to the fore under the guidance of Bob Carr, and his assistants Chuck Strother and Dave Harmer. In spite of cramping social regulations, Del-



Brother Troy Conner, Ed Powell, Vice-President Bob Pendergast and Alum Harry "Shindy" Beard in the reception hall of the chapter house.

ta has managed to squeeze in a tea dance for Kappa Kappa Gamma, a house party for Pi Beta Phi, a series of buffet suppers following the football games, and a gala Christmas party.

The Mountaineer Homecoming this year was one of the most successful of any in WVU history. Needless to say, numerous Brothers were active in its staging. Brother Jim Raine was marshal of a titanic torchlight parade that highlighted the annual pre-game thuse rally. Jim Allen claimed the honor of escorting the Homecoming Queen, Miss Margaret "Mim" Lowthar.

Delta's Alumni House Association held its first post-war meeting during the Homecoming Week-end. Numerous old brothers returned to help plan more improvements, a better financial plan for the house, and to praise the active chapter for its progressive program of reconditioning of the chapter house.

The climax of the season's social activities was a gay Christmas party. Decorations of holly, mistletoe, colored lights,

and a giant Christmas tree, adorned the house. Over one hundred Delta brothers and their guests attended the affair.

On the gridiron, Delta's brothers have been more than outstanding this year. Starting the season off, Brother Fred Moorecraft captained the Mountaineers to an overwhelming victory over Otterbein. The following week Brother Chugg Shrader was acting captain when the Blue and Gold rolled over the Generals of Washington and Lee.

While sidelined during the early phases of the season, Brother George Freese, saw considerable action in the Mountaineer backfield during the Pitt and Temple clashes. Alternating at quarter and half back positions, Brother "Bud" was instrumental in the defeat of both of these opponents.

Clare Wilson, acting as extra point booter for the West Virginia Team, scored five points during the season. Roy "Fire-Boy" Lester saw considerable action at end during the season.

Brother Shrader topped off four years of outstanding performance on the gridiron by receiving an invitation to play in the annual North-South Game on December 27, in Alabama.

Two brothers and one pledge have been honored by election into the campus honorary "Fi Batar Cappar." They include Brothers Bob Butler and Dick Windon; and Pledge Bill Ornic. Pledge Ornic, incidentally, has been outstanding during the year as a Mountaineer cheerleader.

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## GAMMA TRITON

### University of South Carolina

By PAT PATRICK

After a brief period of inactivity during the summer semester, Gamma Triton came flourishing to life with football and after game parties highlighting the activities. The first social event was an informal dance held in a cozy little cabin tucked away in sylvan seclusion at Sheriff

Heise's place. Halloween evoked another scintillating dancing party from our Social Committee and with the spirit of witches and goblins prevailing we motored to the Women's Club. During intermission the entire crowd was thrown into fits of laughter by a humorous radio skit by the ever dependable, Brother Bill Donly. Brothers Henry Gaddis and Johnny Bradham should not be overlooked because of their superb performance and assistance in presenting this program. And of course, the Fall Semester and its activities would not be complete without mention of the annual Carolina-Clemson game. Fraternal spirit arose to new heights during this week.

The month of November ushered in official rush week to our activities. The Social Committee, consisting of Brothers Alex Bollin, Dex Goodwin, and Earl Ziegler, is conforming to its past record of being capable to arrange and present delightful convivia, and has arranged a series of social events for the prospective Phi Sigs. An informal smoker will be given on the twenty-second of November at the house. This will be followed by a semi-formal dance on the fourth of December, at Hotel Wade Hampton. On this occasion our "Moonlight Girl," Miss Martha Cunningham, will be introduced. Miss Cunningham will be escorted by Brother Dex Goodwin.

One of the prime objectives on the agenda for this semester's work was the thorough cleaning and embellishment of the house. Thanks to the untiring efforts of Brother Ray Britt, and his pledges Terry Smith, Vic Johnson, Talmadge Skinner, Bill Castles, Gary Witherspoon, and Tom Kirby, the old place literally sparkles with fresh paint, new rugs, curtains, and furniture.

The tedious task of selecting the Gamma Triton "Moonlight Girl" from a host of beauties was finally dumped into the laps of three of our good married men, Brothers Vassar Eslinger, Bennie Outen,

and Bill Boswell. After much debate and pulling of hair, Miss Martha Cunningham was selected.

Now that the Varsity football season is nearing an end, intramural sports once again will have their flurry of glory. Skeeter "Rex" Reeves will be in the driver's seat and with such select material as "Man Mountain" Dean, "Gator" Morgan and "Charger" Hamilton, "Rex" should be able to mold quite a touch football team. Brother Reeves will be assisted by Brother Jack Callison who is a renowned football analyst in this neck of the woods.

Brother Fuchs, Regional Director of Region III, honored us by a visit this semester. Many helpful suggestions were given in an informal meeting for the actives when Brother Fuchs discussed "The Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa."

Looking into the routine life on any Phi Sig here at Carolina, we would see that at sometime during the day an omnipotent force inevitably pulls him to the chapter room. The door opens, clouds of smoke caused by the discussion greets the arriver, and with a super human effort on your part, you distinguish the familiar faces in their customary places. Brother Allan Driggers serenely sitting in the overstuffed chair by the radio, Brothers Britt, Eslinger, and Gross on the couch, Brothers Callison, Ziegler, Hamilton, and Bollin scattered throughout the remainder of the room, and Skeeter "Rex" Reeves pacing the floor, firing questions and investigating new subjects for debate. The entire scene would be fascinating, but rather bewildering to the visitor.

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## PHI

### Swarthmore College

By HENRY TEMPLE AND KENNETH SNYDER

The boys here at Phi Chapter started the year off right by rolling up their sleeves and settling down to some hard

work renovating the inside of the lodge. A good many gallons of paint and varnish were applied and fine new drapes hung, with the end result that we can be just a little more proud of our lodge. In these shiny new surroundings Phi Sig was launched on what promised to be, and has been to date, a very successful year. President Howard Harris is at the helm of Phi Chapter and Dave Olds, '39, our new Chapter Adviser, has been lending a helpful hand in many ways to make things run smoothly.

Fall rushing this year, as set forth in the rules of the Interfraternity Council, was restricted to second semester freshmen and up. Phi Sig shone above all other frats on the campus by receiving acceptances of bids from eight of the best eligible men. There were: Bob Benham, Jim Bentley, Al Enders, Jack Lawrence, Pete Lorch, Al Metzler, Carl Mueller, and Bill Taylor. With the addition of these new men, Phi Chapter is now at full strength having filled the vacancies from last June's graduation. On Tuesday, October 28, Pledges Bob Alfandre, "Suds" Gilliams, Ed Dunning, and Bill Webster were initiated as Brothers.

Phi Chapter is well represented this year in student affairs on the campus. Brother John Siegle is President of the Men's Executive Committee while Brothers Walt Lorch, Bill Ford, and John McCutcheon, are assisting him as representatives. Brother Andy Weil is really in the thick of things as President of the Interfraternity Council, Head of WSRN, Swarthmore's student radio station, and also a member of Book and Key, a Senior Men's Honorary Society. Bill Ford is President of the Junior American Society of Mechanical Engineers while Hank Temple ably assists him as Vice-President.

The chapter has an impressive group of participants in Fall Sports. Phil Evans, '48, is once again holding a forward

position on the varsity Soccer squad and doing much to get the Swarthmore team off to another successful season. Walt Lorch, '49, our very able rush chairman, holds the very important position of Senior Manager of Soccer and never has any manager worked harder at sweating out victories. Walt is losing more weight than all the players combined. Carl Mueller, a new pledge, is a member of the J. V. Soccer team and they're having a hard time holding him down. Jack Lawrence, also a new pledge; has been turning in some fine performances on Swarthmore's Cross Country Team and there's no danger of Jack's getting out of shape for chasing golf balls in the spring. Another one of the new pledges, Jim Bentley, is Candidate Manager for football. This is one of those unsung jobs that takes a great deal of time and effort. Jordan Jack, '50, has been calling the signals for the snappy J. V. football eleven so far this fall and from the results he has been getting, we'd say that Jordy can feel mighty comfortable in that berth.

Friday night informal dances as well as Saturday afternoon Tea Dances have been a regular social function at the lodge. Our new television set has also brought a great deal of satisfaction and enjoyment. On Friday, November 28, the lodge is going to be transformed into a combination West Indian and South Seas setting. The Beachcomber Brothers and their dates will be able to enjoy such moods as created by the Tango, Rhumba, and Conga on one hand, or Hawaiian War Chant or Aloha on the other. On the following night comes the Phi Sig Moonlight Girl Dance, where some proud beauty will be crowned and subsequently entered as Phi Chapter's representative in the national Moonlight Girl Contest.

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**ALPHA DEUTERON****University of Illinois***By* DICK DEBAUGH

If the accomplishments of the first eight weeks of the Fall Semester may be termed the harbingers of success, Alpha Deuteron is destined to have a great year.

Our new crop of pledges is a choice one, and their diversified talents and abilities presage an even brighter future for Alpha Deuteron. Following are some names to remember—the Class of '51: Eugene Alexander, John Berck, Ed Beucher, Howie Broom, Al Castrogiovanni, Dick Stevenson, Joe Werner, Frank Kinkade, Jack Cooper, Lynn Lynch, Bob Piper, and Ed Spengler. It was this very group that planned, carried out, and hosted at the "Smugglers' Rendezvous" on November 15. This event, a most successful record dance, saw an

amazing transition of the chapter house occur as the place went nautical from bow to stern. All who attended were piratically costumed. Incidentally, it was generally agreed that if lady pirates dressed the way many of our dates did, life under the Jolly Roger would be indeed fascinating, and the risks of the plank and yardarm would be made negligible.

Another football season has now passed at the University of Illinois. Throughout the season the highest calibre of play was demonstrated by Brother Joe Buscemi, first string left end, and Brother Tommy Stewart, defensive quarterback. Brother Stewart has two more years of college play ahead of him, but Brother Buscemi, who will graduate in February, has now finished a career of brilliant collegiate and service football. Incident-



Giving a listen to June Christy are C. O. Hinderer, at piano, and left to right, Duke Gotti, Fred Hubbell, Dave Kramer, Art Vyse, Joe Gauger, Frank Kinkade, Bud Reene, Bill Prentiss, Dick Price and Bill Eaton.



Phi Sigs relaxing are, left to right, Prexy Carroll Nelson, Bob Piper, Bud Reese, Don Kramer, Howie Broom, and Jack Cooper. Our mascot, Hans, is quite grown up now.

ally, Brother Buscemi, in turning down a pro football offer, has elected to take the marriage vows with his Rockford, Illinois flame, Miss Ginger Chamberlain, following his graduation. Congratulations, Joe!

Hand in hand with the football season went true Phi Sig hospitality. Every home game saw the presence of many alums, guests, and friends who were cordially invited to partake of our pre-game buffet luncheons. It is estimated that we served as many as three hundred at some of these occasions, and many gratifying compliments were received.

With the passing of football all eyes are gradually turning to the basketball scene and the promising performance of Benton Odum, Phi Sig Brother. Brother Odum is assured of seeing plenty of cage action this year and should be among the varsity's top scorers.

Except for the outcome of the football game, Homecoming here at Alpha Deuteron was a fabulous affair. Attended by an unprecedented number of alums, much credit is due to Brother Cy Deitch for his expert handling of the function. Under the able surveillance of Brother Don Robinson, our Homecoming decorations again placed us high in rankings among fraternities. Our decorations this year featured giant replicas of the better known cigarette packages. Parodies on their various advertising slogans were

then carried out in a Homecoming tenor. The fine cooperation and workmanship achieved in effecting this display brought much credit to the chapter.

Dad's Day, an annual all-University event, was observed by the chapter and carried out efficiently under the chairmanship of Brother Van Gongaware. All of the Dads seemed to enjoy the week-end and its many attractions. The Saturday night (Nov. 22) Dad's Banquet was enhanced by the presence of Brother Earl Schoening, national Secretary-Treasurer, who served as our principal speaker.

Plans for our annual Monte Carlo winter formal to be held on December 13 are unfolding rapidly under the direction of Brother Gene Barta, Social Chairman, and Brother "Tug" Wilson. According to Brother Barta, the event this year should surpass last year's in scope and fun.

Our Moonlight Girl Contest was conducted on a campus-wide basis under the guidance of Brothers Bud Rene, Don Kramer, Bill Prentiss, and C. O. Hindrer. The contest, handled with the utmost efficiency and dignity, attracted considerable attention and has been an excellent source of publicity locally. The winner and our Moonlight Girl is beautiful Carolyn Nordstrom, Chi Omega, who will be entered in the national competition. Carolyn is indeed the personification of our desired Moonlight Girl. She will be officially presented at our winter formal and will receive an appropriately engraved sterling silver cigarette case. It is also planned that she reign at all house functions as our Moonlight Girl.

The latest addition to our collection of trophies is one with a musical motif. This was won when the chapter emerged overwhelmingly victorious in a ticket selling contest for a jazz concert featuring the famed "Artistry in Rhythm" music of Stan Kenton and his orchestra. While the trophy is a permanent and material reminder of our winning the

contest, perhaps a more poignant reminder is the memory of another award of the contest—having a dinner date with lovely June Christy, vocalist with Kenton who is often regarded as tops in the nation. All of us here at Alpha Deuteron were completely won by the unaffected charm and genuine interest shown by Miss Christy. Many of us are still wondering when the influence of the “strictly boffo” Miss Christy and the effects of the “terrific” Kenton concert are going to disappear. The house “cats” still haven’t come down to earth. However, it is expected that the regimen of a few more days of classes will have them all settled, including Brother C. O. Hinderer, “Cat” 1st class. It was the latter, by the way, who engineered Alpha Deuteron to victory in this contest.

Intramural sports are again holding high interest this year as the house bowling team is resuming its winning ways of last year. Soccer and basketball also appear promising for us as competition in these two sports is just now getting under way. Brothers Keck Dawson and Bill Prentiss are devoting much time to the management of our intramural affairs, and their industry is certain to pay dividends.

In closing, the men of Alpha Deuteron wish to extend their heartiest wishes for a Happy New Year to all everywhere.

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### University of Pennsylvania

By ELWOOD W. SHOMO

Climaxing their highly successful fall party season, the brothers of Mu Chapter threw their most sensational “shindig” in years as they selected Miss Rinky Pollock, a U. of P. co-ed and a member of Delta Delta Delta Sorority, the Pennsylvania representative for the Phi Sigma Kappa Moonlight Girl Contest. Judging Miss Pollock as the most beautiful of fourteen Quaker lovelies were Dr.

William Harbeson, recently chosen Most Popular Prof at Pennsylvania, Dr. L. E. Klimm, Director of Student Personnel, Dr. Karl Scholtz, famous economist and a great Phi Sig, Mr. John Funk, Art Editor of the “Country Gentlemen” and Mike Michelm, popular President of Mu Chapter.

The Moonlight Girl Party held on Thanksgiving Eve, was a fitting finale to the most successful football season the university has had since 1924 when the Red and Blue eleven went through the season undefeated. Following each grid-iron triumph, record crowds of alumni and brothers showed up at the chapter house to celebrate the victories with Harry Neinstedt’s famous “Golden Glow” punch.

Highlights of the season: The swell time the ten brothers had at Tau Chapter after they had blazed their way north to sparsely settled greens of Hanover to watch the Penn-Dartmouth game; the Navy Weekend, which featured the handiwork of Brothers John King and Tom Mangan in pointing the Navy Poster with the Young Sam theme and the formal dance at the chapter house (thanks to Brothers Smith and Neinstedt); the hospitality which the Dial Club at Princeton extended to Mu’s alumni and brothers following the football game and the gay time the brothers had at Dick Molden’s country house also after the Princeton clash; the lively get-together following the Army game despite the final outcome which resulted in a 7-7 tie, featuring singing and popcorn throwing contests by brothers and dates bedecked in old clothers; and finally the informal affair thrown by the brothers still nursing hangers from the M.G. party on Thanksgiving night.

At the fall election of officers for next spring, Mike Michel was re-elected President, Boyd Hartley was chosen Vice-President, Burke Cock was re-elected Treasurer, Jim Rudy was again selected

Secretary, Wylie Borum was chosen Sentinel and Norm Hamilton was elected Inductor. Brothers Bud Roney and Elwood Shomo were given votes of confidence for their work as Steward and Chaplain.

Thirteen men were pledged during the rushing season to fill the gaps to be left next year by graduation. The neophytes who are about to begin their pledge education are Craig Baxter, Jack Curran, Chad Cahall, Albert Demeo, John Flinchbaugh, Bob Gigliotti, Joe Kelly, Jack Krochka, Don Messenger, George Patterson, Bill Sierer, Ed Swartz and Bill Young.

Thanks to the Curtis Publishing Company and the brothers of Mu Chapter who sold two thousand dollars worth of subscription of the Curtis publication, the chapter house now boasts of a handsome television set and a radio-phonograph console. Joe Hendrickson was the star salesman and walked off with the prize in a hotly contested race for top honors. It was the first television set awarded to any fraternity by Curtis Company.

The first post-war edition of MUSINGS, chapter publication edited by Brothers Walt Swiss and Elwood Shomo, appeared in mid-October and was acclaimed as being a big step forward in furthering and increasing brother-alumni relationships during the coming year.

On the sports front, Mu's Marauders are currently tied for leadership of the Blue League in the Interfraternity Touch Football competition. Leading the hot-rock team to four straight triumphs were Captain Tom Mangan, Ernie Behr, Frank Gumpert and Fred Leswing.

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### IOTA TRITON University of Connecticut

With the mid-semester exams now past history, the lads of Iota Triton have had a chance to shave and attack matters social and otherwise, such as the Phi Mu

Jamboree, which was thrown by a local sorority in lavish surroundings at the Rockledge Country Club, just outside the Capitol City's boundaries. The festivities were heightened by the presence of, and the spirit of the occasion embodied in Brothers Neverovich and Payne.

This was preceded by the Greek Letter Formal held in the Hawley Armory the 24th of last month, honors by Shorty Shiroc and Company. Brother Dorsey, Delta '14, and wife led Iota Triton in attendance, as Patron and Patroness.

Being a new and young chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, here on the "Yukon," we have been beset with the problems known to all who have found themselves in a similar situation. However, we are well on the way to our goal of becoming one of the fraternity's most active chapters.

To date we have placed the jeweled insignia of Phi Sigma Kappa on Thomas J. Faulkner Jr., a senior, and C. Russell Weigert, a sophomore. Both fellows have helped us immeasurably during the training period and after initiation. Also, we have pledged three more men who soon will proudly bear the Phi Sig pin—Lawrence Ahern, Richard Payne and Erwin Potter—all sophomores. And despite the fact that our rushing schedule has been limited, we look forward to starting our share of the best freshmen thinking "the Phi Sig Way."

Among those we have to thank for the progress of I T are Dr. Dorsey who has given generously of his time and donated his home for chapter use, and Brother Ronald Brand, a member of the Engineering Faculty here at the U. whose advice has helped and is helping us over many difficulties. We are also very much indebted to Brothers Don Hamilton and Don Downing as well as the rest of the Worcester group, Epsilon Deuteron, and Brother Bill Zimmerman



Walt Neverovich (front, left to right) Mary Carroll, Mrs. Henry Dorsey, Dr. Henry Dorsey, Carol Kenney, Bob Spellman, (rear, left to right) Bob Payne, Marilyn Koch, Dick Payne, Ruth Podgewaite, Bill Wadsworth, Anita Stiles, at the Greek Letter Dance.

for their most valuable aid in setting up and guiding Iota Triton at its birth.

With the new year impending, plans at present are being formulated for the sponsoring by I T of a distinctive and annual function to be held here on the "Yukon" campus.

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### OMEGA DEUTERON University of Southern California

By MYRON JONES

With the Fall semester's studies nearly ended, Phi Sigs of Omega Deuteron are ready to hail the New Year and cheer S.C.'s Thundering Herd at the Rose Bowl tilt with Michigan, all in practically the same breath.

#### *Football*

No matter what the score at the final

rally in Pasadena, a successful season of football will be acknowledged by all. Powerful Tony Linehan and Big John Rossetto will stand strong in our memories. Paul Bimmerman and Bill Oliver both served as managers for the team.

#### *Social Activities*

A dance was held in Santa Monica's Miramar Hotel the night of the S.C.-U.C.L.A. football game, celebrating that victory, narrow as it was. Through the efforts of Gene Berger all the Brothers were present, including some of our alums. Everyone seems to have enjoyed the dance.

Evening of the S.C.-U.C.L.A. clash most Phi Sigs could be found on the soggy lawns of Alpha Delta Pi Sorority, munching sandwiches, apples, ice cream and drinking hot coffee, in a pre-game

and pre-rally picnic. Brother Bill Driggs' sisters, the famed King Sisters, entertained with a selection of songs. The Big Rally was next on the agenda for the evening.

The social calendar was further adorned with exchange luncheons, desserts, and buffet suppers with assorted sororities.

### *Mothers*

Appearance and livability of the Chapter House living room has been freshened anew, a result of the sofa and chairs having been recovered by the Mothers' Club. These gals deserve our sincere thanks.

### *"Junior" Actives*

Pledges of last semester were formally initiated into the chapter at the Chapman Park Hotel. A banquet dinner followed the ceremony in honor of the new actives. It's a big mouthful, but for the record—Gene Berger, Louis Durham, Bill Feathers, Dick Ford, John Harris, Myron Jones, Tony Linehan, Bob Mills, Bill Oliver, Ed Partridge, Herb Sauer- man, and Ray Willets—were the twelve who exchanged their pledge pins.

Niles Cunningham, Paul Kemp, and Ed White later followed the dozen, in a special ceremony held at the Chapter House.

### *The Brothers*

Ray "Honest John" Willets is once again Captain Willets of the Army's Air Corps. He and the Brothers hope his first assignment will be to complete his engineering studies at S.C.

Herb Sauerman, new active, has temporarily loaned his gal the pin borrowed from Big Brother Les Vlahos. Les claims this was not part of the original bargain, but does not appear unduly worried.

Professor Bob Tapp still stops by, busy as he is, to discuss, argue, socialize, or just have dinner. The Professor says the food is good.

Dick Ford completed a successful campaign resulting in his election as Senator at Large. His slogan: "There's a Ford in Your Future"; if not original, at least appropriate.

The long-awaited era of television is about to dawn upon the chapter—we hope. From the donations of members, Cunningham and Rush have assembled a television receiver. Once adjusted so it will receive pictures and sound, it will undoubtedly keep members out of the local bistros.

### *Operators*

The Carpenter - Ryan - Driggs - Lloyd quadrumvirate celebrated the first birthday of their post-war baby, *Campus* magazine, with the publication of their November issue. The Brothers congratulate and wish further success to them in their 64-page ad-venture.

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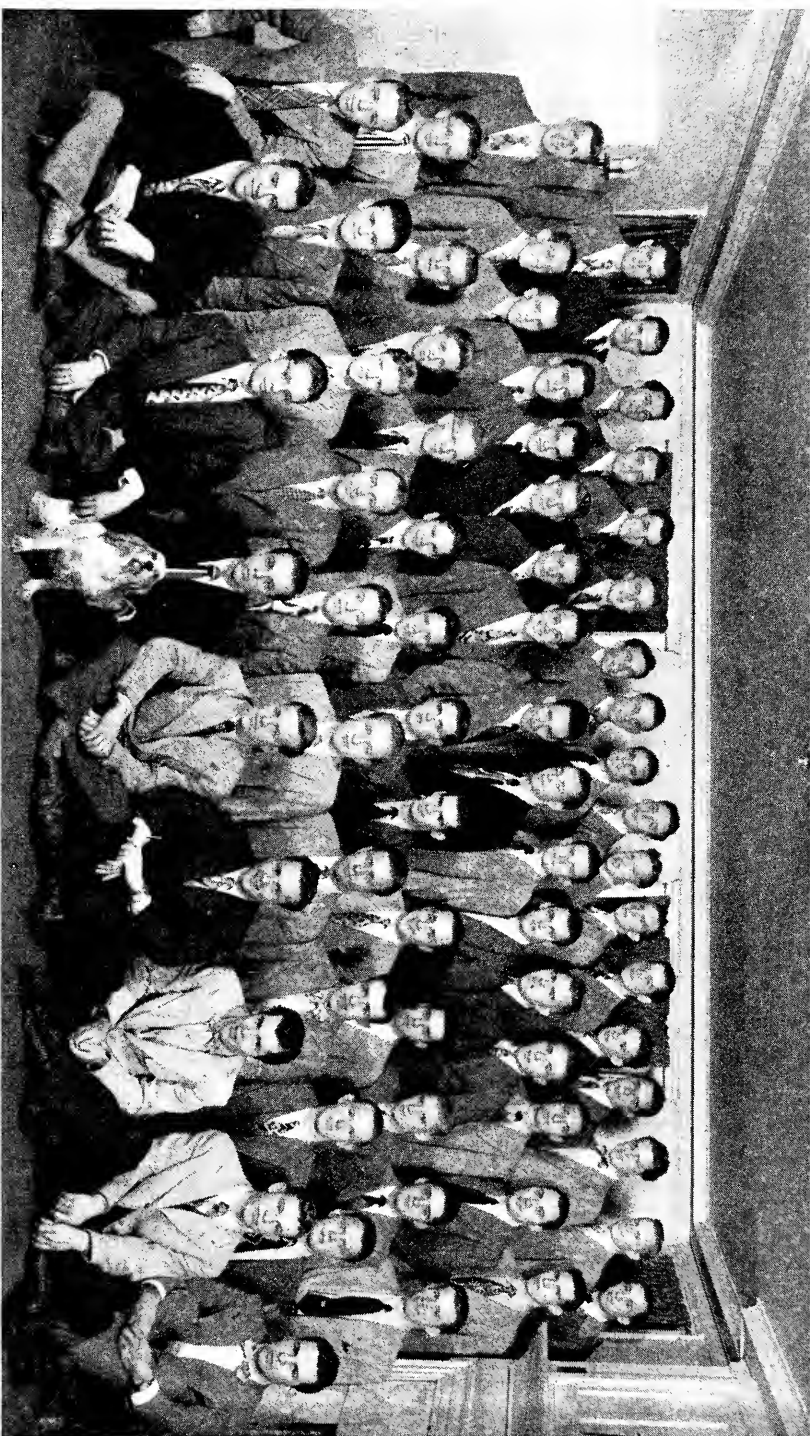
## **DELTA DEUTERON** **University of Michigan**

By DICK RAPPLEY

Striving with the bewildered "millions" here can be serious at times, but week-ends have been proving to the men of Delta Deuteron that college cheer means more than a check from home.

And though chapter life has by no means been confined to football and parties, those items have been the source of some of the most enjoyed and best remembered activities of the semester. With the Rose Bowl-bound "champions of the West" providing the spark, two of the bright spots were the Illinois and Ohio State week-ends (the football schedule being our most-consulted "calendar").

The night of Saturday, November 22, produced quite a transformation at the Phi Sig house, as the finish of an unbeaten season was celebrated in a novel way. The occasion—something different in the party line—a "Monte Carlo" evening.



#### DELTA DEUTERON

The actives and pledges of Phi Sigma Kappa at Michigan, actives in capitals: front row — LEX HERRIN, Dick Lamb, BILL DIEFENBACH and Lana, BILL MCANINCH, JIM BURTON, DICK GROSS, CHUCK TOWAR, MAX IYERSON; second row — DAVE PONTIUS, DON HOSTETTLER, Carl Darnell, Fred Kirk, REX CURTIS, BILL HABERMAN, PHIL BURTON, Chuck Porter, George Vosper, John Hancock; third row — Jim Chipman, DON GRAY, JOHN SWANSON, DICK LAPIDOS, TOM CROSSMAN, Buzz French, HUGH ALLERTON, Joe Naymik, HOWARD FACE, Bill Harrison, George Westholm, AL ENGEL, Terry Mock; fourth row — Warren Bunyan, John Montrose, Bob Green, Glenn Schneider, Don Schroeder, Bill Wells, ED LIPP, Fred Weber, Otis Roth, LEE STEWART, George Milroy, JACK COURT, GUS BUTTERBACH, GORDON BELGUM, PHIL WEST, ART MILLER, John Salles; fifth row — BILL SCHRIENER, SEDGE FIELD, BILL HILLIG, Bill Jones, Bob Dawdy, Bryce Bennett, Fred Willis, BOB DYER, ART BASSETT, CARSON GRUNEWALD, Dean Luse, GLENN BAUER, ROY BROGREN, Bo Hinman, Mel Sarin, Don Dulude, Brad Stone, DICK RAPPLEY; missing from picture — LOU DYLL, Larry Gabriel, JIM JAMESON, Joe Gyoutko, ORLYN LEWIS, John Sellers, GARY SCHWEITZER. The chapter personnel included 73 men, 39 actives and 34 pledges.



Conceived by Rex Curtis, the idea was a boon to harassed Social Chairman Max Iverson and developed into a unique and highly-successful affair. So impressive was the occasion and so enthusiastic the response that the chapter is contemplating making Monte Carlo an annual party.

The entire house carried out the casino night-life theme. There were gaming tables a-plenty with all varieties of bait—roulette, vingt-et-un, the undignified “craps”, and many others. From the first reception by the resplendent doorman down to the final treks to the stoic cashier, the lure of winning was irresistible. And though the tuxedo-garbed “croupiers” kept the house ahead, there were big winners like Pledge Dick Lamb, closest approach to “the man who broke the bank at Monte Carlo.” He and his date won prizes for their good fortune.

Most deserving of plaudits for the success were Brothers Curtis, Tom Crossman, and Gordon Belgun and Pledge Glenn Schneider. Glenn was the man who gave life to the decorations theme, which even included a huge lighted sign.

Nearly 60 couples attended, with four guests from Ohio State and their Michigan dates among the crowd. The brothers from Pi Deuteron were grandly entertained during their two-day stay.

Their visit was reminiscent of Delta Deut's earlier trek to Champaign for moral support in Michigan's felling of the Illini. With Ted Bauer, Dave Pontius, and Jim Jameson furnishing the transportation, about 15 men made the trip. All survived a “spirited” reception at Alpha Deut.

The chapter here is currently looking forward to a blanket from the Illini and the initial custody of a “skin” from OSU. Both accepted challenges on the grid wars; both are saying, “Wait until next year.” And the men of the house believed that a West Coast blanket or skin

would go well, too. All were intent on reaping further benefits at Omega Deut's expense. Beware, Southern California!

—“Roses are red,  
Violets are blue;  
Bowl wins are sweet,  
But you can wait, too!”

Not too many were able to partake of the Pasadena vacation. Brothers Glenn Bauer and Roy Brogren welcomed their band spots that put them among the official party, while Brother Jameson drove out with Phil Burton and Joe Naymik.

“Jamey” is one of three associates here. A Reno resident, his home chapter is the University of Nevada's Eta Deuteron. The others new to the Michigan scene are Bob Dyer, a Lambda man transferred from George Washington, and Gary Schweitzer, a grad student from American U's Epsilon Triton.

These transfers and 29 new pledges, the largest pledge class on campus for the second straight time, swelled the potential chapter strength to new highs. The following men are anticipating membership next semester: Bryce H. Bennett, Salamanca, N. Y.; John Warren Bunyan, Flint, Mich.; James A. Chipman, Ypsilanti, Mich.; Ramon Carl Darnell, Dexter, Mich.; Robert K. Dawdy, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Donald O. Dulude, Bay City, Mich.; Charles R. (Buzz) French, Rochester, Mich.; Lawrence R. Gabriel, Marysville, Ohio; Robert A. Green, Flint, Mich.; Joseph E. Gyourko, Jr., Coshoc-ton, Ohio; John C. Hancock, Detroit, Mich.; Cecil N. (Bo) Hinman, East Lansing, Mich.; Frederick W. Kirk, Detroit, Mich.; Richard J. Lamb, Grosse Pointe, Mich.; Francis Dean Luse, Syl-vania, Ohio; George S. Milroy, Plainwell, Mich.; Theron C. (Terry) Mock, Zanesville, Ohio; John R. Montrose, Port Huron, Mich.; Charles D. Porter, Floss-moor, Ill.; Ottomar A. Roth, Reese, Mich.; Harry Melvin Sartin, Dearborn, Mich.; Donald P. Schroeder, Port Huron,



Mich.; John P. Sellers, Jr., Wabash, Ind.; Bradford Stone, Detroit, Mich.; George W. Vosper, Toledo, Ohio; Frederic L. Webber, Decatur, Ill.; William W. Wells, East Lansing, Mich.; George E. Westerholm, Jr., Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich.; and Frederick W. Willis, Toledo, Ohio. Rushing Chairman and also Inductor for the group was Art Miller.

Pledges and actives alike have joined in both the fun and the work of the house. Still on the social side, there have been record dances, a hayride party, and numerous exchange dinners. Brother Iverson has carried the burden of these affairs, his efforts netting dinners with eight sororities—Alpha Gamma Delta, Gamma Phi Beta, Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Omicron Pi, Chi Omega, Alpha Delta Pi, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Delta Gamma.

The work side has been along constructive lines with redecorating a major project. That included papering, floor sanding, and most of the trimmings. Another work project of benefit was the Homecoming display, where two cars brought out a "Road to California" theme. Brother Crossman headed that project, while Brother Pontius was one of the chief "pushers" in the house renovation. Latest addition to the house is a new "coke" machine.

Considerable honor was added to the house in November when Lee Stewart and Jim Burton were initiated into Tau Beta Pi, honorary fraternity that is engineering's counterpart of Phi Beta Kappa. Glenn Bauer was already a member. Another engineer, Lex Herrin, was tapped by Triangle, local honor society. Among Lex's activities has been a post with Michigan *Technic*, engineering journal.

Marriage and engagement news has also been prominent. Lew Lewis and Dottie Ballentine were married just after Thanksgiving (see Chapter Hymeneal) and other weddings are in the offing.

Lew's best man, Bill Gross, plans to be married to Joey MacKenzie this month, and "Rusty" Larson was pinned by Glenn Bauer the week-end of Lew's wedding. All three girls are affiliated with Zeta Tau Alpha. A Phi Sig-Zeta celebration followed the wedding reception.

Another engagement is that of Ted Bauer and Marty Dieffenbacher, of Alpha Chi Omega. Both 1947 grads, Ted's now working in Detroit while Marty is studying on a fellowship at the University of Chicago.

Nothing else was history at this writing but much was anticipated. Coming events of greatest interest were the pledge formal and the house Christmas party, both just before vacation. Brothers Iverson and Crossman were at work again on the former with Don Hostetler helping make arrangements. Brother Curtis had expected to follow up his Monte Carlo job, but he was sidelined temporarily after breaking a leg in a skiing mishap.

And so the Delta Deuts approached the end of the year, with much done and much more planned. About all they had to lament for the fall was a couple of restraining university dicta—one of them preventing participation in the Phi Sig "Moonlight Girl" contest, and the other—well . . .

Hoping for a big New Year's Day in the West and anticipating the selection of the loveliest girl from the other chapters' choices, the Michigan Phi Sigs pass along best wishes for '48.

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### CHI Williams College

As the men of Chi come trooping back to Williamstown after the Christmas recess with that haggard expression which so often indicates a lack of sleep but plenty of good times, we realize that the fall semester of the 1947-48 season is rapidly coming to a close. But looking back

upon it we conclude that it has been a highly successful and enjoyable term, highlighted by several happy interruptions in the regular school routine, among which was the gay fall houseparty.

Chi Chapter opened its portals once again to returning members on September 28 for the first day of the rushing season. Though, as always, it was a week of hard work, we are proud to announce that our efforts were rewarded by the induction of sixteen top-notch pledges. Standing alone in the delegation for the senior class was John Glore, having since been initiated, while the junior class was represented by Dick Stewart, who is also now a member. In the sophomore class were Jack Hardman, Bob Hayman, and Hank Reed, having likewise been initiated on December 19. The present pledges, all freshmen, are: Bob Bergen, Dave Bevier, George Dorion, Dave Helmle, Ted Helprin, Bob Larson, Ernie Lehmann, Al McLean, Phil Menga, Wally Pratt, John Ward, and Harry Sheehy, who was pledged early in December. Chi Chapter feels duly gratified by the addition of these men, many of whom have already struck out in the field of extra-curricular activities.

On the first week-end in November, the annual fall houseparty was held in which members and pledges alike put their cares aside for a short two days and joined vigorously into the festivities. Not even the loss of the football game to Union could daunt the spirit of the week-end, and all participants returned to the books with a feeling of satisfaction but also sorrow that it had to come to an end.

Homecoming Week-end got underway two weeks later when Williams and Amherst continued their ancient rivalry with the all-important football game of the year. A great many of Chi alumni returned, especially from the class of '47, and all joined in to make it a most en-

joyable week-end from the point of view of both alumni and undergraduates.

With the coming of cold weather and snow, Chi Chapter held its first initiation of the year on December 19, when John Glore, Art Davis, Dick Stewart, Jack Hardman, Bob Hayman, and Hank Reed became active members of the chapter. After the ceremony, a combination Christmas-initiation banquet was served.

And so, with mid-year exams approaching and another initiation coming up, we of Chi are again looking forward to another successful semester of activity.

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### MU DEUTERON

#### University of Montana

Mu Deuteron started the school year with a mad rush about the House, preparing for the Autumn Quarter rush week period. Brother John Berger held the reins of power during the "week" as Rushing Chairman. He steered the gang through the hectic period of nightly banquets and pledging parties. Brother Tom Davis, Past President of Rotary International, spoke to the rushees and brothers about the moral values of fraternity life, Brother Tom Spaulding was at the head of the speakers' table and was ably assisted by Dick Merritt. They gave talks concerning fraternity life as it concerns the prospective pledges.

With the initial impetus given by rush week, pledging continued at a good rate all through the quarter. We have twenty-seven new men, placing our total number of pledges at forty. Much of the credit for the "spadework" done in pledging these men should rest with Bill Magelsen, our pledging chairman.

Elections were held this November and Stanley Grainger was elected President of the chapter while Dave Busha was elected Vice-President. Jack Hensley took over the duties of Inductor, and Joe Maitin was installed as Sentinel, rounding off the new officers.

\* Hunting season this year was as full as usual with stories about the ones that got away. Perhaps the biggest "one" was a bear knocked down by George Chaffee. Seems that "Brer" Bear was a wee bit tougher than Brer George's rifle. But Chaf didn't lose out altogether, for he may be noticed as being near a dead deer bagged by his hunting companion, Frank Strecker. Frank got his five-point deer near Fish Creek in the Lolo Forest the first day of the season.

Lew Gager Meier got in on this year's venison when he brought in a four-point, 170-pound deer from the Blackfoot River country. Gordon La Rue also came back from the Blackfoot with a deer. It was a two-pointer, weighing 125 pounds.

This spring we shall lose one of our senior members through graduation. Dick Merritt is a Senior majoring in English. After graduation he plans to continue his education in a French uni-

versity in preparation for work in the United States Foreign Service. Brother Merritt became an active member of Phi



Frank Strecker (left) and George Chaffee at Fish Creek, Lo Lolo Forest, near Missoula.

Sigma Kappa, Zeta Triton Chapter, at Montana State College in 1941. In 1942 he entered Montana State University and was affiliated with Mu Deuteron Chapter. Prior to the war he was Vice-President of the House, Inductor, representative on the Sentinel, Secretary, and a



#### ACTIVES

Front Row, L. to R.: Robert Voorheis, Harold Stanton, Clayton Wuerl, Leon Mitchell, Thomas Johnson, Stanley Grainger; 2nd Row: George Holmes, Hubert Wagner, Clayton Ogle, Albert Rapp, Leonard O'Neill, James Deranleau, Leo Wolfe, Gordon LaRue, John Dunning; 3rd Row: Louis Gagermeier, Stuart Ellison, John Boe, George Forsyth, George Chaffee, Cleo Schroeder, Patrick Barden, Albert Baun; 4th Row: Frederick Gierdal, John Kitchens, David Busha, Jack Hensley, Jack Nickol, Rial Cummings.



Brunnhilda (left) and Tiger.

member of the Bear Paws, sophomore service organization. Dick entered the Army in 1943 and during his period of duty he served in England, Scotland, France, and Italy. He was discharged in 1945 and returned to the University in

1946. During the Winter Quarter, 1946, he was President of the chapter, and the following quarter he was House Manager. Dick is a member of Silent Sentinel, Senior men's honorary. He is also Senior Central Board Delegate and a member of Sigma Delta Chi, men's professional journalism fraternity. During his time in college, Brother Merritt has majored in Agriculture, Social Science, History, Journalism, and, finally, English. His activity and personality will be missed when he leaves us this spring, and we hope that he will return often.

Al Rapp gave his pin to Miss Margaret Martin of the Alpha Chi Omega House. George Forsyth pinned Miss Bette Hillstrand of the Tri Delta Sorority. Miss Martin and Miss Hillstrand were serenaded by the members of Mu Deuteron at their respective houses this November.



#### PLEDGES

Front Row, L. to R.: Frank Helland, Charles Tucker, Richard Degnan, Oscar Donisthorpe, Frank Gallacher, Herman Clack, Robert Gardner; 2nd Row: Gilbert Dopp, Frank Scully, Russel Miller, Dale Peterson, Richard Bohlig, Roy Shiply, Herbert Fisser, Dennis Weir; 3rd Row: Robert Harwood, Dale Miller, William Drennen, George Vander Linder, Edward Houtz, David McDonald, Robert Johnson, Emil Kautzman, Roy Hoerster, Joseph Murphy, Lincoln Engel, Glen Rasmussen, Frank Cocco, Phillip Chatlin, Frank Strecker; 4th Row: Homer Curtis, Laurie Riley, John Winchell, Victor Dahl, Marvin Riley, Warren Watson, David King, Robert Leamer, Frank Hanto.

Perhaps the biggest social event of the Autumn Quarter was the pledge formal held the first of November in the Florentine Gardens of the Hotel Florence. Hallowe'en was the motif with Kenny Hanson and his orchestra providing the music.

One dark night this November, some of the "night owls" from the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority slipped into the front room of the house and managed to purloin the trophies so proudly resting on the mantle above the fireplace. Not content with injury alone, the girls added insult by moving the living room furniture around in a very disturbing manner. All went well for a few days, until a crew of Phi Sigs fought fire with fire by retrieving the lost articles plus two large Alpha Chi glass pheasants. Finally, in order to stop this nightly movement of the prized objects of both houses, the Alpha Chis came forth with a peace offering. The wandering pheasants were returned and a peace treaty signed and sealed over copious quantities of coffee and doughnuts at their house.

Long the center of much discussion and comment, Brunnhilda and her diminutive comrade, Tiger, are again the objects of much attention. Tiger is a very dignified and independent little dog in that he insists on having attention paid to him. If none is forthcoming, he pouts his head off to the Alpha Chi House, his war-time home, but usually comes back when his fit of temper is over. Brunnhilda, on the other hand, has such an opposite nature that the contrast between the two is striking. She is a large Saint Bernard, weighing 145 pounds, and is docile and clumsy. At times, Brunnhilda and Tiger wax conversational in their respective base and shrill voices. Brunnhilda, the true female, becomes jealous and highly insulted when attention is paid to Tiger.

Toby Wagner took over the basketball team for this season and selected Emil

Kautzman to assist him. Twenty men have turned out for practice and there is promise of a good team.

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Lehigh University

By MARIO R. D'ANTONIO

This past semester has been the busiest and most successful one at Nu Chapter since pre-war days. At the end of its first year of reactivation at Lehigh, Phi Sigma Kappa finds itself once more an outstanding fraternity at the university. Membership has increased from the small number of returning brothers to twenty-eight brothers and eight pledges consisting of a good cross-section of the school. In addition to increasing in numbers, the house has been changed (through physical work of the members) from a worn-out nineteenth century mansion to an up-to-date fraternity house.

Even while the janitorial work was going on, prospective pledges were arriving and making their headquarters at the house for Frosh Week. Several brothers, back a week ahead of time in order to prepare for "Rush" week, did a fine job of guiding the pledges through the throes of cleaning up. The house was used by only a few brothers attending summer school together with members of another fraternity during the summer vacation, and so, needed a complete cleaning.

"Rush" week proved to be a success with the house obtaining eight of the five hundred men admitted to the university. These men include: James F. Barr, Mt. Airy, Pennsylvania; Donald B. Banker, Baldwin, New York; Edmund A. Burroughs, Pennington, New Jersey; James P. Case, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Peter G. Murphy, Baldwin, New York; Robert L. Utz, Hanover, Pennsylvania; Joseph L. Scanella, Clifton, New Jersey; Allen F. Mink, Jr., Kenneth Sq., Pa.

Besides being "good Joes" most of these new pledges are outstanding both scholastically and athletically. During the rushing, several dinners were held at the house, followed by sight-seeing tours, and then parties in our recreation room bar. One evening was spent at the Allentown Fair, "America's Greatest County Fair." The week was culminated by an open-air party and picnic at Brother Maury Stoudt's (Nu '16) farm in a neighboring town, and formal pledging.

No sooner was the new pledge class in the house than attention was turned to initiation. The old pledge class was put through a four-day and four-night preparation period, and was formally initiated on September 25, 1947. Many incidents occurred during this time which are sure to live in the memories of those men for many days to come. Those initiated were pledged last March as most of them entered Lehigh at that time under the now-void two admission a year system. The new Brothers are: John J. Avey, Hagerstown, Maryland; Donald W. Berndt, Baldwin, New York; James M. Bridgman, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Rudolph E. Burger, Jr., Malba, New York; Mario R. D'Antonio, Trenton, New Jersey; John P. Lamson, Hopewell, New Jersey; John F. Georgiadis, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Randolph B. McMullen, Rumson, New Jersey; William S. Purdy, Englewood, New Jersey.

Immediately after being initiated, the new men took over the job of training the new pledges. Everything they had learned during the past year, and more, was put into practice. However, when things looked darkest for the new pledges, and they were almost believing that they actually were dirt, a pledge party was given in the form of a Tea Dance. After the dance, training was again taken up with full force.

The next big social divertissement was the Lehigh Houseparty on November 6

and 7. Houseparty lasts two days and is the high point of the fall social calendar. Skitch Henderson and Buddy Rich were the feature bands at the university, while the chapter imported a band from Philadelphia. Things began moving at the house about 4:00 p. m., Friday with the arrival of dates, and from there—supper, dancing, party-going, breakfast, relaxation, dinner, football (Lehigh vs. Kings Point), supper, party, breakfast, church, rush for trains (love being intermixed with all)—summarizes the events. It may be noticed that sleep was omitted; this is not a mistake.

Lehigh alumni homecoming proved to be a large success at the local house on November 21 and 22. Over twenty-five per cent of the boys with sheepskins came back. For two evenings the house was a virtual store house of chapter history, with everyone telling how the house was when he was there, the funny incidents which occurred, and his impressions of the present house. Characteristic of the majority of the alumni were: protruding abdomens, graying hair, wives and children, and a disguised air of seriousness.

Events of 1947 were concluded with a stag Christmas party on December 19. Pledges were allowed a free hand in preparing a skit, and produced an amazing exposé of the brothers. In fact, it would have done honors to any columnist in search of dirt. Previous to the party everyone had attended the intercollegiate wrestling matches at the university, being personally represented on the mat by Brother Donald W. Berndt.

#### *Scholastic Achievements*

With many social gatherings, parties, and the like, men of Nu have "toed their mark" scholastically. This is evident when we see that Brother Robert D. Wallick, '48, has been elected to Eta Kappa Nu; Brother Wilbur E. Henry Jr., '47, Phi Beta Kappa; and Brothers Walter

G. Chesnut and Philip G. Ridinger, both '50, Pi Mu Epsilon, honorary math society.

At present there is a majority of engineering students in the house. However, the Arts and Business Colleges are also well represented, having seven men in the chapter. Last semester Phi Sigma Kappa ranked scholastically in the top half of all the fraternities at Lehigh.

### *Extra-Curricular Activities*

After working hours are over, many representatives of Phi Sigma Kappa at Lehigh may still be found on the campus taking part in the many activities that go to make up a campus.

Brothers Nick Ford and Robert D. Wallick are members of the Bridge Club, and are striving hard to be able to beat the Bridge Clubs of some of the near-by girls' schools.

Brother Philip G. Ridinger may be seen skipping and jumping about to keep in practice for his part on the fencing society.

Brother G. Bruce Staples is on the Board of Publications for the university.

Brother Mario R. D'Antonio is News Editor of the campus newspaper "Brown and White," and on the intercollegiate debating team.

Brother John G. Glenn, due to graduate in February, is instructing a laboratory class in Physics.

Brother Samuel F. Snyder, Jr., house President, represented Lehigh at the National Interfraternity Conference at New York City. Brother Snyder was also Chairman of the Fall House Party Committee.

Besides these specific activities, many of the fellows are members of various societies, clubs, and activities groups about the school.

### *Athletic Department*

Pledge Joseph L. Scannella is the star passer of the Varsity football squad, while pledge James Case played right half on

the same squad. Brother William C. Dittmar played tackle on the team, until he suffered an injury at practice which put him out for a while. He expects to be back next season, however, and really be in the fight.

Brother Walter G. Chesnut is manager of the Varsity football squad.

Pledges Pete Murphy and Don Banker were on the Freshman football squad, which was acclaimed to be the best in the East by experts.

Pledges James Barr and Frank Mink were on the soccer squad, and expect to participate in other sports this spring.

Brother Donald W. Berndt, who placed third in the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association Championships last year, is once more on the mat attempting to obtain the highest honor.

Brothers James K. Wilson and Rudolph E. Burger, Jr. are both out for wrestling in the 165 pound and heavy-weight class respectively.

The first string center of the Frosh football team was Brother Berndt.

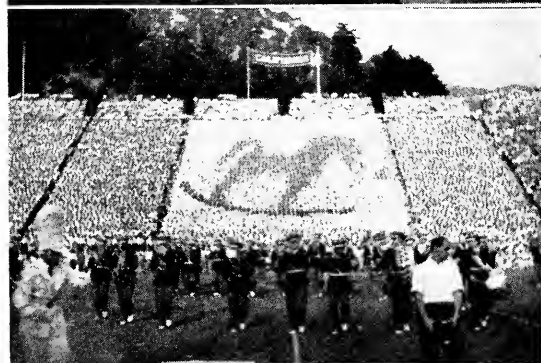
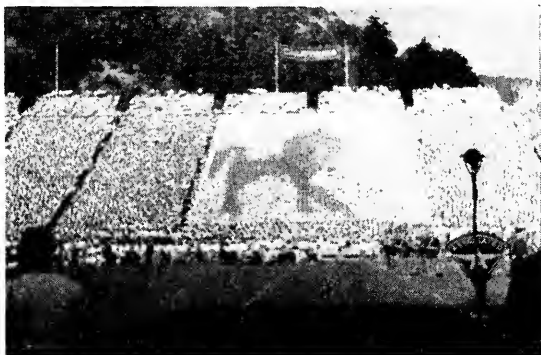
Brother William S. Purdy is on the Varsity swimming squad specializing in backstroke.

Next September Lehigh will inaugurate the system of deferred rushing. Even after the men have been pledged, they cannot live in the house until they are upper classmen. Under this system the fraternities will have a better opportunity to look over the prospective pledges and then decide more conclusively the men they want in the house. Due to the switching over, many fraternities here will find themselves in financial difficulties; however, luckily, Phi Sigma Kappa will have enough members to carry over until new men will be allowed to live in the chapter house.

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## OMEGA

### University of California

By LLOYD "ABIE" MORGAN

#### *Golden Gate Roomers*

The November issue of *The SIGNET* caught Omega unawares as regards chapter news, so, with your forbearance, your humble correspondent will start his story spinning from the beginning of the Fall Semester 1947.

Our Berkeley Chapter opened its fall rushing season with a round of very successful rush lunches, dinners and stag parties, plus a rush dance at the Chapter House. This year's flock was still large and we of Omega, with considerable good fortune and the invaluable assistance of Rush Chairman, Frank "Pud" Podesta, have added fifteen fine lads to our total score. The shooting hit the "Red Bull's-eye." Our season's bag is as follows: Doug Pryne, Pledge President, Bob Moeller, Doug Carey, Hugh Stroupe, Ken Westbay, Bob Couse, Bill Watson, Jack MacArthur, Dave Peterson, Leroy Anderson, Larry Moore, Joe Atkinson, Russ Turner, Jack Kasten and Bob Hemenway.

Having just finished a very successful football season with Howard Mackey, Soph Football Manager and Bud Barlowe, Assistant Drum Major, we look confidently toward a sensational Spring turnout in crew and several track events, headed by Clint King, Glen McNicholas and Joe Atkinson.

The social calendar brimmed full this past semester with such notable events as: exchange dinners with Alpha Xi Delta, Zeta Tau Alpha and Kappa Delta; a new innovation here at Omega,

date lunches; and two very enjoyable joint celebrations with Omega Deuteron



over the UC-UCLA game week-end in Los Angeles and with Nu Deuteron over the Cal-Stanford match at Palo Alto. I might add that the house was well represented over the UCLA week-end. Our USC brothers provided we northerners with a fine dance the evening of the Game (score UC 6 — UCLA 0). That was the second "get-together" for Omega and Omega Deuteron. The Trojans had been our guests at a dinner-dance the evening of the USC-Cal game in Berkeley (score, a sad one, Cal 14 — USC 32).

Thanks to the excellent work of the two social chairmen, Nu Deuteron's Dave "Rusty" Rust and Omega's "Al" Mayne, the Cal-Stanford joint house dinner-dance at a local night spot was a great success. The champagne bubbled Stanford's cares away (game score Cal 21 — Stanford 18) and enhanced our gaiety.

This past football season Omega captured three spots on the California Rally Committee — Brother Don O'Malley, House Prexy, Chairman of the Card Stunt Committee, did a top-flight job, aided by Brothers Dale Nyberg and "Al" Mayne.

Since some of the eastern colleges do not indulge in card stunts, I have included a photo series of one stunt used in the University of Southern California — California game plus Don's original sketch on graph paper. Each block square on the graph paper represents a seat in the Men's Rooting Section. Using the graph as a foundation plan, the Card Stunt Committee designs the several stages of the stunt, then transfers an enlarged replica of the stunt to the numbered seats in the Stadium. The pictures show the Trojan Horse being rocked by the California Bear, "Oskie". This is what is called in western parlance, a Flip Stunt. Three horses are designed in the different positions a Rocking Horse would assume. The stunts are numbered accordingly, I, II, and III. At the Chairman's direction three separate sections of

the Rooting Section change the color of their cards — depicting either the background or the Horse and the Bear. As the background cards are flipped, the Horse rocks back and forth. Some variations on the Trojan Horse Stunt is classic for almost all UC-USC Games. Another very clever stunt fathered by Don O'Malley and aides was one berating the Long Skirts. It began simply with the word "Protest" on a white background, then — as the cards were flipped, several different styles in Women's skirts appeared, from the ground length 1890 type to the very short 1920 type. Following the words "But That Ain't All" — the NEW LOOK materialized.

September saw the Omega Chapter's Mothers' Club resume its functions. The mothers have been very helpful and we very fortunate. With the aid of card parties, rummage sales and the like the mothers will assist the membership in putting the finishing touches in the Chapter House that will make it more attractive and comfortable. We are already the very proud owners of new dining room draperies, which add immeasurably to the room's appearance. A bridge-lunch given by the mothers on December 3rd, the first for the new group, was a great success. The proceeds will go to the house for further refurnishing.

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### BETA TRITON Knox College

By DON KOTITE

With the beginning of the Winter Quarter at Knox and the cold, cold season of frost and snow in Galesburg, Illinois, Beta Triton Chapter can look back upon an exciting and highly successful four months of autumn activities. Highlighted by a whirlwind Homecoming celebration and our gala "Fall Party," there was never a dull moment at the Phi Sig house; in fact, all the brothers



BETA TRITON FALL PARTY

contributed their wholehearted cooperation in making Phi Sigma Kappa reach the top of the campus list.

A festive Homecoming celebration during the week-end of October 24-26 marked the first of the college year's social events, and it was really a hectic three days of parties, dances, football fever, and "open houses." The Phi Sig contributed a well-planned "gridiron" motif to the array of outdoor house decorations, setting up a wooden grandstand of loyal Knox rooters in the form of dummies. These stands overlooked a football field, complete with purple and gold goalposts, crêpe-paper yardstripes, and two big spotlights to illuminate the scene at night-time. On the sidelines was represented the "Blue Devil" of Beloit College, our Homecoming gridiron foe, taking a nasty spill at the hands of a life-size replica of guard "Wee Willie" Wollman, one of Beta Triton's representatives on the Knox varsity. Above the display were suspended three beautiful pictures of an armor-clad Knox warrior, Old Main (the administrative building), and a scoreboard, reading "Knox-70, Beloit-0!" All the credit for the decorations went to the deserving talents of Phi Sig's future Rembrandts, who did a swell job on the whole affair.

Preparations were made to receive a number of alums who returned for Homecoming, and a hearty welcome was extended to all those visiting. Sunday morning, Oct. 26th, a combined active-

alumni meeting was held in the chapter room, where many old acquaintances were renewed.

The brothers have recently become proud possessors of a new house mascot, a frisky Sealyham terrier called "Joe." "Joe" came to us as a present from alum Hoyt Sauer of Colorado, and he already has found the Phi Sig dwelling a happy home, making the rounds of every room for his nightly sleeping quarters. Some of the men have grown so attached to him that it is not a rare sight to see "Joe" snugly curled up in one of the brothers' beds.

On Saturday night, November 22nd, the Phi Sigs held their annual fall party, this year presented in the rustic atmosphere of "Skunk Holler" surroundings. Life-size caricatures of "Li'l Abner" comic characters were hung on the main floor walls, along with strings of painted moonshine jugs enhancing the Dogpatch motif. Bales of hay served as chairs, and the dining room was fixed up as an eye-catching country barroom, with cushioned barrels taking the place of bar stools. The extra-special feature of the affair was a gigantic portrait of "Lena the Hyena" looming over the bar, and rendered more weird by a bright blue spotlight shining on it. Beta Tritonites and their dates were treated to doughnuts, potato chips, and mugs of apple cider, with "J. J." Jedlicka assuming the role of bartender. When the party ended, the girls made a grand rush for the caricatures and the painted jugs, so they might have souvenirs in their dorm rooms of one of the gayest Phi Sig "fun-fests" in years.

A few "victrola" parties had been held in the house previously, to round out the fall quarter social highlights.

Another Indian has bit the dust!! Brother Ben Baker took the fatal step when he gave Terry Taylor, a Delta Zeta Junior, a diamond engagement ring, the announcement of which was made dur-

ing the "Skunk Holler" party. Then, Bill Frazer, who graduates this March, also passed out cigars to celebrate his new "proud papa" status. Bill was presented with a bouncing baby boy, Scott Reed Frazer, on Monday, December 2nd, and has since been seen wandering around in a happy daze, amid shouts of congratulations from the whole chapter.

In the journalistic field, Ken Paul has been named as sports' editor of the Knox STUDENT, the college paper. Bob Reed and Don Kotite have been chosen as assistant editors of the GALE, college yearbook. Loren Alpers has succeeded Lew Schrecengost, Beta Triton '47, as new business manager of the SI-WASHER, the bi-quarterly student magazine.

### *Sports*

As a result of their fine work on the Siwash football squad guards Will Wollman and Glenn LeFevre, representing Phi Sig on the varsity, were awarded letters at the award chapel. Brother LeFevre has already won a letter for his grid performance in the fall of '45, and Will, by virtue of his outstanding work on last year's track squad in the shot put, javelin, and discus departments, had earned his first "K" in the spring of '47.

The varsity basketball season at Knox finds Beta Triton's "Fritz" Eaton and Dick Miller occupying center and forward slots, respectively, on the 1947 Siwash cage squad. Phi Sig hopes to have, besides, excellent intramural "A" and "B" teams this year, and already (as of before Thanksgiving recess) our practice sessions have begun. From the great number of those who turned out, Beta Triton should have a Grade-A basketball team. Even despite the loss of several of last year's graduating stars, things look mighty bright! Ken Paul is manager of the team.

Ted Parker, a member of last year's varsity swimming team, will also repre-



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sent the chapter in this season's varsity competition.

Beta Triton also has high hopes of copping the intramural ping pong crown, competition in which started right after the Christmas vacation.

In retrospect, I may point out that Beta Triton Chapter, as in the past, has proven itself as one of the top organizations on the campus, and it is eagerly looking forward to an even greater season next quarter.

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### PHI DEUTERON University of Kentucky

By WILLIAM C. SPRAGENS AND  
DON ROGERS

This has been a busy fall for Phi Deuteron Chapter. The social season started out briskly with a series of rush week open houses topped off with a stag banquet at Springhurst.

Next event was a party at Gentry's Old Mill honoring the seven new initiates. The new brothers, Donnie Mack Brown, John Hays, Harold Holtzclaw, Harry Boaz, Fred Copeland, and Bill Spragens, were initiated October 24 and the party was held that evening. Mrs. Myrtle Morgan, Housemother, and Prof. and Mrs. B. H. Wall were chaperons.

A Halloween Party was held at the chapter house on October 31. Chaperons at this event were M. and Mrs. A. L. Atchison, Chapter Adviser and his wife, and Mrs. Morgan.

November's principal event was the homecoming game with Tennessee and the entertainment in conjunction with the visit of some 40 brothers from Xi Deuteron Chapter at Tennessee. An open house was held for alumni and visitors from the Tennessee chapter, as well as a lunch and buffet supper. Following the game an informal dance was held November 22 at the Phoenix Hotel.

The new pledges entertained the actives of Phi Deuteron Chapter on Friday, November 28, with a party at Castlewood.

A formal dance was planned for December 12, the last week-end before the end of the quarter.

Them thar Phi Deuterons done put over another hit! The U.K. Junior honorary organynized a dad-burned carnival in which all the girl fraternities and boy sororities particypated to finance a worthy junior.

Clell DeSpain, inside man at the Interfraternity Skonk Works, done got together with them thar wheels, Redwood Taylor and Tom Montgomery, took a slug of Kickapoo Joy Juice and thinked up the Mountain Melody Boys. They figgered that these hyar talented Phi Sigs that played on instruments could put on a li'l show fer the people instead of takin' there jack with dad-burned gambly games.

We figgered we couldn't miss gettin' thet trophy with sich a stupfyfyn' carnival queen as Becky Perry, from that there girl fraternity Alpha Delta Pi, and these hyar characters at Phi Deuteron.

The Mountain Melody Boys could practice only three times on there favrite song, "Precious Jewel" and sich poplar songs played on them thar juke-boxes.

Jim Mack (Curly Bill) Strother got up in front of all them people to be Master

of Cerymonies, told about the gift offers and interduced "The Mountain Melody Boys." Them offers was real good; amalgamated, pigmintated, pig-iron potato peeler and a lil book with "The Boys" favorite songs, there pitchurs along with pitchurs of there mothers. The Boys was Dick (Burl Hives) Pigman, Al (Jug-Happy) Jepson, Slippery Slim Shoun, Walter (Barker) Patrick, Chet (Rubber-Bottom) Hawley, Frank (hot-lips) Mathias, Bob (Big-Foot) Rupard, Dan (Li'l Lamb) Tuttle, Tom (Slobberlips) Montgomery, Fred (Natchez the Indian) Coplin, Charlie (Big-Boy) Devitt, Byron (Hairless) Romanowitz, and feechurching Mrs. Redwood (Lulubelle) Taylor.

Over a thousand of these hyar Kaintuckyians drapped in to see our show, and we didn't hyar nothin' but complyments. We'uns turned in \$25 more than any other bonch, so y'all kin see that the Phi Deuterons done put over another hit!

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## KAPPA DEUTERON

### Georgia School of Technology

Although forced to become inactive during the recent war, Kappa Deuteron is now making a comeback at Tech. The local chapter was reactivated last spring with only three active members and four pledges. While growth since then has been slow, we have at the present fifteen actives and several pledges.

Kappa Deuteron has been under a severe handicap because of the continued housing shortage. Although the prospects of acquiring a house of our own are still rather dim, we have recently leased a small apartment on the campus. Even though the apartment is too small for any of us to live in, it will serve admirably as a place to hold conferences and as a clubroom. The lease of this apartment was made possible by Dean George Griffin to whom we offer our sincere thanks.

Except for a few weiner roasts, our

social life has been rather limited. Most of our time has been spent in searching for a house and, since leasing the apartment, in redecorating it and rounding up furniture. However, we are planning an active part in affairs around Tech during the next quarter.

Our chapter officers for the fall quarter are: Bill Henesley, President; Red Jackson, Vice-President; Udonough Ulysses Hudson, Treasurer; and "Pete" Peters, Secretary. Under the able leadership of such capable leaders as these wheels, Kappa Deuteron is going places.

We would like to express our appreciation of the help and encouragement given us by the Alumni Club. We are especially indebted to Brother Hank Powell, our Chapter Adviser; Brother Frank Forrester, Treasurer of the Alumni Club; and Brother Bill Painter, Alumni President. Without them, we probably could not have reactivated the chapter.

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### ALPHA TRITON Wesleyan University

By JOHN A. WATERHOUSE, JR.

When the brothers of Alpha Triton Chapter returned to the Wesleyan campus in September, they found a completely renovated house. The exterior had been painted, the interior painted and papered, and the floors sanded and waxed. New drapes and carpets and a few pieces of new furniture plus a lot of work with lawn mowers, clippers and rakes on the grounds have put the house in better physical condition than it has ever been before. When the first group of freshman rushees were received during the first week of school, Phi Sig compared favorably with any other house on campus.

During the period of "Day Dates", Phi Sig entertained thirty-one new students. Most popular of the activities were trips to Mount Holyoke College and Connecticut College for Women where the girls

helped to put across Phi Sig's good points. Of the thirty-one men rushed the following were invited to join the fraternity: Charles Culver, Arthur DeGraff, Douglas Hofe, Richard Lamb, Raymond Newton, Philip Pedlow, David Prescott, Frederick Sloat, Robert Stewart, Peter Thompson, Napoleon Calasky, and Clayton Snow. The last two men are transfers from other schools who have been admitted to Wesleyan as sophomores; the others are freshmen. Bob Stewart is the brother of George Stewart, sophomore delegation. The above men were formally pledged to Alpha Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa on October 21.

The Honor Roll for the academic year 1946-1947 which was published in September listed the following Phi Sigs: Dick Preston, Dick Foxall, Tom Price, Jack Cowan, Lou LaRoche, Fred Lorenson, and Kay Vermilya.

The following slate of officers was elected at the last meeting of last semester, took over their duties in September, and will serve until February: President, Fred Lorenson; Vice-President, Lewis Whitney; Secretary, Carl Eiser; Treasurer, Richard Preston; Assistant Treasurer, Coban Jenkins; Sentinel, Richard Foxall; Inductor, Henry Webel; Corresponding Secretary, John Waterhouse.

Brother Len Hippler, who has been one of the mainstays of the track and cross country squads, was recently elected to Theta Nu Epsilon, honorary sophomore athletic society at Wesleyan.

Austin Kay Vermilya was initiated into the fraternity at a formal meeting held October 29. Charles Prohaska, a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and now a graduate assistant in the chemistry department at Wesleyan, has been pledged to Alpha Triton Chapter and will be initiated with the new delegation in January.

Several brothers from Epsilon Deuteron Chapter visited the house after the Wesleyan-Worcester Tech football game.

A good many Phi Sigs returned to the campus for Alumni Week-end on November 8-9. A punch party was held at the house after the Wesleyan-Williams game which was played that afternoon in a steady downpour. We had as guests a few brothers from Chi Chapter and their dates who had braved the rain to watch the game.

The week-end of November 14-16 was the annual fall house party at Wesleyan. Festivities began with a football rally Friday night to give the team a good send-off. After the rally there was a ship-wreck party in the basement recreation room with all the women dressed in clothes provided by their dates. A bottle of champagne for the most ship-wrecked attire was won by Mrs. Dave Beebe. On Saturday afternoon the whole house went en masse to Hartford to watch the Wesleyan-Trinity football game which Wesleyan won 13-0 after a hard fight to complete its second consecutive undefeated and untied season. After the game there was a cocktail party at the house to which the faculty and all the other fraternities on campus were invited. In the evening there was a formal dance. Sunday afternoon there was a milk punch party for those who were still able to get around.

The present chapter roll, including members, pledges, and graduate members in residence, numbers forty-two men, the largest since the chapter was founded. With large delegations from the last two freshman classes Phi Sig is beginning to lose its designation as one of the smaller houses on campus. We are beginning to outgrow our house, too, and plans are being laid to build a new and larger one within the next few years. Alpha Triton's post-war place on the campus is far superior to that of pre-war years; and with such a good start both the undergraduate members and the alumni association look for an expansion and improvement in the local chapter.

## EPSILON DEUTERON Worcester Polytechnic Institute

By RICHARD H. McMAHAN, JR.

On Saturday, December 13, the fall rushing program here at Tech came to a close. The pledging that afternoon climaxed a long period of organized rushing beginning with periods of visiting to Sanford Riley Hall, the freshman dorm, from October 20 to November 7. This was followed by rushing at the various houses from November 17 to 25, and again on December 3, 4, and 5. All rushing arrangements are made through the Tech Inter-Fraternity Council, and pledges are extended in the same manner. After the first semester, however, rushing is free of restrictions. We were very fortunate this year in succeeding in pledging an excellent group of 17 men, including the following:

Ashton B. Brown, Loveland, Ohio; Jack Dillon, Waterbury, Connecticut; Arthur L. Fisher, East Orange, New Jersey; Frank L. Flood, Needham, Massachusetts; Andrew F. Freeland, Wellesley, Massachusetts; Herbert J. Hayes, Wollcott, Massachusetts; Merrill Hescok, Laconia, New Hampshire; Kirk Leonard, Essex, Connecticut; Donald A. Knowlton, Wellesley, Massachusetts; Charles R. Lorenz, Hartford, Connecticut; Frank MacPherson, Belmont, Massachusetts; Kenneth E. Mayo, Bolton, Massachusetts; Frank B. Myska, Rutland, Massachusetts; Donald L. Poggi, Nutley, New Jersey; John Reid, Framingham, Massachusetts; Lester A. Slocum, New Bedford, Massachusetts; Roger E. Wye, Needham, Massachusetts.

Though the "Chapter on the Hill" is crowded now due to many brothers having returned from service, we feel, as does Brother Schoening, that we should keep the size of the pledge group normal with future years in view. We hope that all chapters are as fortunate as we in getting good men this year.

As we mentioned in our last Chapterette, our house manager, Tom Hunter, has been wielding the whip in great style and getting results. The rushing program brought a temporary halt to our activities, but a work inventory shows the following jobs completed between the opening of school and the middle of November: first floor decks and the main stairway waxed; stairway woodwork and the decks in the kitchen, pantry and upper hall sanded and re-finished; cellar cleaned out; first and second floor halls and stairway re-papered, the kitchen, all bathrooms, upper annex and part of lower annex painted, and I guess that's about all. The many hours were well spent, however, as the house is now in top condition for our social activities, which have started well and promise to continue so.

The night of November first saw the brothers and their dates turn out in force for our Hallowe'en dance, the "Punkin Promenade." The gaily costumed group not only made merry in the house, but let Worcester in on the fun during a city-wide scavenger hunt followed by an enmasse tour of some of the nearby "hot spots." The mad evening ended more quietly with refreshments and dancing at the house. It was generally agreed that not in many moons has Epsilon Deuteron had a better time.

With November 22 came the annual Tech Carnival, in which the freshmen and sophomores contest each other's ability to produce a skit or short play more acceptable (or at least less objectionable) to the audience and judges than the other. The faculty show is just thrown in for laughs (and is usually the best of the evening). This year the class of '50, which won the Carnival Trophy last year as freshmen, again came through with top honors, due in no small measure to the creative and histrionic efforts of Brothers Brierly (class president), Collings, Costine, Stanier, and McMahan. Following the Carnival, the Phi Sigs swung their partners down to the house

for an evening of barn dancing. Even after the last set collapsed, the brothers weren't too weary to chalk up the successful completion of another gala good time.

The immediate future shows plans for our Christmas party for youngsters from the Worcester Boys' Club, and for the Tech Inter-Fraternity Ball and formal



Designed by the wife of Brother Don Hall and erected by Brothers Stanier (on roof) and Hallstrom, our king-sized Jack-o-Lantern afforded a novel, if slightly inconvenient, entrance to our "Punkin Promenade."

week-end December 12-14. But the story on these will have to wait 'til next time when the details can be filled in. Also next time we'll have some information on Tech's basketball team, and more especially on the Phi Sigs on the team, Brothers Bill Collings, John Converse, John Seguin, and Ray Gilbert, and also on our house relay team, which will start relaying soon.

Epsilon Deuteron would like to take this opportunity to congratulate in advance the other five chapters whose Moonlight Girl contestants will make the semi-finals.

## XI

## St. Lawrence University

Since the last issue of the SIGNET went to press much has transpired at the ever-active Xi Chapter domicile. An avalanche of new honors and functions has kept the eager Phi Sigs motivated and moving on the "Hill."

Of the utmost import is the annexation of the top spot in fraternity and male student scholastic averages for the second straight semester. The Xi boys rang up a handy 79.903 reading, which tops the rival Betas, nearest contenders, by one and one-half points. Students of the university as a whole averaged 77.286 points. Six scholarly brothers who attained the Dean's List form the nucleus of the house's high pinnacle of learning. These are: Frank Stehli, Walter Hannahs, Lawrence Dona, William Fisher, Dave Trumbull, Harold Crawford, and Kenneth Sutton.

Four initiates have joined the ranks of

the actives. Paul Mader, hailing from Lake Placid, New York, Louis Pells of Rhinebeck, New York, Bob Buros, who calls White Plains, New York home, and Ray Miller of Jamestown, New York, are the new actives.

Football has come and gone, but a few boastful words must be recorded on the subject, since the Phi Sig eleven toured the season in almost flawless style to capture the intramural laurels. Capable coaching by rugged Don Blanchard and strong team play made the unit the cream of the league. Only one game was lost on the eight-game schedule as the strong line and speedy backs passed and ran rough-shod over the opposition.

Basketball has just started, but the same results are eagerly hoped for in that sport. The first two games have been already won by decisive margins, and a winter-long schedule will keep the Xi basketballers busy for a good while.



HALLOWEEN PARTY



Roger A. Pihl of West Springfield, Massachusetts, now wields the gavel at the St. Lawrence Chapter. The new president succeeds Frank Stehli, taking the reins in a re-shuffle of officers. Bill Rescorl is the new Vice-President; Bill Davis, Treasurer; Gil Palmer, Secretary; Doug Straw, Inductor; and Andy Doty, Sentinel. President Pihl was one of two representatives selected to attend the National Inter-Fraternity Conference in New York City recently.

Xi's Moonlight Girl has been selected after long and deliberate scanning of the campus beauty. She is lovely Betty Jane Foster of Merrick, Long Island, a tall, brown-haired, blue-eyed queen of the freshman class. The entire female student body was taken into consideration as chapter members nominated the girls they thought suitable candidates. The list was then narrowed at consecutive meetings until four beauties were selected for final balloting. Pictures were taken of these and the results considered for photogenic effect. Betty Jane was then selected after a preferential vote.

Rushing has come into full sway, and with it a well planned and directed course of action. A "Rushing Committee" headed by Bill Rescorl has listed the eligible men and evaluated them. The list will be cut down by the process of elimination until a certain number has been selected. This group will be presented to the chapter for the determination of those to be sent bids. The system is a fair and democratic one, and an effective means of picking potential Phi Sigs. Rushing Committee members meet weekly with house members invited to sit in on the sessions. Top men in the freshman class are thus entered on the desired list, assigned to the committeemen for rushing, and met by the other actives. By this method Xi Chapter hopes to win an exceptionally good class of pledges to the cause.

## IOTA

### Stevens Institute of Technology

For the second straight term, Iota ranked first scholastically among the Stevens fraternities with an average well above that of the over-all college average. At the present time our house boasts of more men in Tau Beta Pi than any other house, many of which have close to twice as many actives.

A Christmas party was held at the house just before the holidays to which a large number of the more unfortunate grade school pupils of Hoboken were invited. Thanks to the financial aid of the Mothers' Club, it was possible to give the children a large number of gifts besides plenty of food and entertainment. Because of the great success of this party, it will be attempted to hold a party of this nature every year.

We now have twenty-six brothers and nine pledges. Among the new brothers are Joe Vanacore '49 who did much work on radar research while in the service, Marty Downey '50, one of the standouts on both the varsity soccer and lacrosse teams, Bob Thompson '49 who was immediately elected secretary but will leave us at the end of this term to spend a few years in the Naval Air Corps, Leo Chase '51, a freshman who seems to have the ability to become a leader around the house in the next few years, and Art Gardner '51 who can always be depended upon to not only complete a job but also to do a little better than expected.

Besides Bob Thompson, the chapter will lose Walt Johnson '48 and Leo Howatt '48, our president and vice-president, respectively, who will graduate at the end of January. With another rushing period coming soon and many prospects in sight, the house seems sure to be at full strength for an active spring term.

A senior trip, in which the senior class visits industrial plants in other parts of the country, found eight active Iotamen really having a big time in their one

week away from school. One of the features of the trip was the visit of Bill Ellison '48. Bill, who graduated last June, is now working in Chicago. After work on Thursday, he caught a bus for Detroit and arrived at four-thirty the next morning. Our group had arrived the night before. Bill stayed with us all day while we visited the big Ford plant at River Rouge and left us only when we had to catch our train that night for Hoboken. During this entire period, Bill did not get a wink of sleep. This shows the spirit of the present Iotamen in the best possible way.

Among the social events at the chapter this term was the reception following the marriage of recent graduate Curt Van Valkenburgh '48 to a local Hoboken girl, Gertrude Smith. Then there was a hayride, an old clothes party, plenty of other parties, and many fraternity formal in New York hotels, climaxed by the Winter Carnival just prior to the Christmas holidays. A big formal is planned by Iota at the world-famous Meadowbrook in Cedar Grove, New Jersey, on the 23rd of January.

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### ETA

#### University of Maryland

By PHIL SCHAEFER

Greetings from Eta's chapter adviser. The boys are busy rushing and then I feel young again after being a judge at the selection of the Phi Sig Moonlight Girl. Brothers Nat Acton and Walter Miller, all alumni, were asked to be the judges. Playing no favorites Eta invited every sorority (and there are eleven nationals on the campus) and each dormitory to send a candidate, eighteen in all, eighteen of Maryland's finest. And each one was squired to the party in Kappa Delta's spacious house by a Phi Sig (also one of Maryland's finest!) The final choice lay between a blonde and a brunette, both highly photogenic and potential Holly-

wood starlets. The judges were not gentlemen — they selected the brunette, Elizabeth Simpson, 19, a Tri-Delt, and a sparkling brown-eyed girl as Eta's Moonlight Girl. When Mel Ruffner, our big, handsome hunk of man presented her with the red carnations and set her on the piano for the boys to sing to, your Chapter Adviser took movies in color to record the event for future Phi Sigs. (Chapter Adviser's lament: "I was born twenty-five years too soon!")

Eta's fiftieth anniversary was observed fittingly this month and we are happy that so many alumni turned out on such a bad night. The cooperation of alumni is a vital matter to Eta, as it must be to every chapter; their counsel and suggestions, and at times their financial assistance, are necessary and welcomed. The golden plaque has the honor position in the house.

Does a Phi Sig ever grow old? Gilbert Morgan, Eta '07, and a member of the Court of Honor, was graduating from the University of Maryland in Baltimore when your chapter adviser was starting school. He was referred to as the "grand old man of Eta Chapter" at the banquet but he disdained the implication. Says he, "I'm no old man!"

Our Parents' Club has come through with a new gas range for the house. Talca, our cook, and, incidentally the best and only house mother Eta ever had, could not get a turkey in the old range. On Thanksgiving we had that turkey, Maryland style, and were we thankful to the Parents' Club for the gift.

Do other Phi Sig chapters go to church? It has long been our custom at Eta to attend church once a month in a body. The present Vicar at Saint Andrews Parish in College Park is a Phi Sig, Brother Nat Acton, and once a month he looks for us, usually saving some choice remark for "my brothers" in his sermon. Besides being our spiritual adviser Brother Acton helps us in many ways. He has

the inside track at every fraternity and sorority house on the campus. He loaned us his home while we were getting under way last year and has always spoken a good word for us where it counted.

Scholarship at Eta is good. The Chapter Adviser has been stressing higher marks, and it is hoped that this is the immediate cause for the improved scholarship. Among the fraternities, and there are over twenty, we are second from the top. In addition to the Grand Chapter award Eta hopes to win the Alumni Association award for scholarship.

Next to scholarship we are stressing extra-curricular work. We have placed many officers in organizations on the campus. Don Fresh is president of the Presbyterian Club; Don Turkal heads the German Club; Dave Hill is head wheel of the radio station being built; Bill Brownell, president of Eta, is representing Phi Sigma Kappa in the reception being given the round-the-world flyers, George Truman and Clifford Evans. Cliff is a Phi Sig and asked Bill to take pictures of the start and finish of the flight. On Wednesday, December 10, when President Truman welcomed them home, we had two Phi Sigs in the White House, Cliff and Bill. We at Eta do get around.

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### DELTA TRITON Purdue University

By RALPH REGINALD SEAVERS

Due to an unfortunate accident, the Delta Triton Chapter didn't have an article in the last SIGNET; therefore, there is quite a bit to write this time.

First, we'll begin with the Delta Triton social life. The brightest star of the Delta Triton social season has been the "Moonlight Girl Formal" held last Friday night. The dance was the biggest success of the season, thanks to the hard work of Social Chairman, Brother Frank Goff. He was assisted by Brothers Halladay

and Quinn and Pledge Bernhard Peterson. The Columbia Park Pavilion was rented for the occasion; music was provided by Chet Catalano and his orchestra. There were fourteen girls in the Delta Triton Moonlight Girl Contest. As most of the other chapters have probably already discovered, it was not easy to make a choice from so many beautiful girls. However, balloting showed the winner to be Betty Ann Trippett from the Pi Beta Phi sorority; second choice was Joy Davis, Chi Omega; and third was Diana Voras from the Women's Residence Halls.

Several parties with sororities were planned, but the Pan Hellenic Council decreed that sororities would have no more organized parties with other organized groups. As an alternative the planned parties will be substituted by afternoon teas held on a schedule basis.

The girls of a new local sorority, Beta Xi, were honored by the Delta Triton Chapter at a Recognition Party held Oct. 8 at the chapter house. Similar parties with new chapters of Alpha Delta Pi and Zeta Tau Alpha had to be cancelled.

The most important social events yet to be held are the Inter-Fraternity Ball, January 23, and the Spring Triad with the Alpha Chi Rho and Alpha Sigma Pi fraternities. The Annual House Mothers' Dinner is also planned for the near future.

Here's something of special interest for the brothers at Omicron. Perhaps they will want to show this to Barbara. In the last article Delta Triton had in THE SIGNET, it was mentioned that Brother Jack Halladay was a contestant in the Phi Mu Dream Man Contest. We are pleased to announce that our boy, Brother Halladay, came home with the "big" cup. Maybe Brother "Jack" Ruble or Pledge Motsinger can retain the trophy for the house in the next Dream Man Contest.

The present pledge class is the largest

class Delta Triton has had. Ed Schiffer is the Pledge Captain. The other pledges are Rudy Baloun, Robert Baxter, Robert Berg, Lawrence Busby, Donald Clayton, Michael Counenakis, Robert Egans, Samuel Gibson, Edward Green, Horace Hays, William Henly, Richard Motsinger, Joseph Newson, Bernhard Peterson, Don Post, Fermen Reed, and William

has been neither a gain or loss to Delta Triton. Our loss of a school blanket to Beta Deuteron was evened up by the gain of a blanket from Alpha Deuteron.

It was pleasant to see all the alumni who came back for Homecoming. The pledges came out with the best sign the Delta Triton house has had. Of course, it might have been better because of the help from the actives.

At the chapter elections held last Monday night, Brother Whistler was elected President; Brother Swingle was re-elected Vice-President; Brother Seavers was elected Secretary; Brother Bill Boden, Inductor; and Brother Richard Huffman was elected Sentinel.

Last summer, two of the brothers left bachelorhood to exchange vows at the altar. Brother McLimore exchanged vows with "Milly" from Evansville, and Brother Jim Comella exchanged vows with a southern belle, "Becky" from Memphis, Tennessee.

Brother Durfee's pin finds so many homes that the pledges have trouble keeping track of it. However Brother Durfee has received his lesson and in the future he'll probably pass cigars when he changes pin girls. For his lesson, he was tied to the fire escape and the hose turned on him — not too bad except that the temperature at the time was about 25°F.

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### EPSILON TRITON The American University

By WILLIAM A. AIKIN

As predicted, great things have happened for the growing Epsilon Triton Chapter. Thirty-two men have been pledged to the fall pledge class. This is the largest number ever to have been pledged by any chapter on the American University campus.

The Epsilon Triton Chapter, on Saturday, November 22, initiated five new members to its ever-growing circle. It



BROTHER HALLADAY AND THE CUPS HE WON AS PHI MU'S "DREAM MAN."

Schaffer. Pledge Busby is on the varsity track team and promises to be an outstanding pole vaulter of the Big Ten. Pledge Motsinger is a member of the orchestra that played for our Moonlight Girl Formal, and Pledge Peterson was a boxer when he was in the Navy.

More improvements have been made in the Bum Room. The biggest improvement, however, was made by the graduating senior class. As a remembrance for their pleasant days spent at Delta Triton, they bought some much needed furniture for the Bum Room.

Brother Loyal Campbell is now a member of the exclusive Gimlet fraternity, composed of fraternity men. Our Gimlet, Brother Ed Karpick, will be graduating at the end of the semester — he hopes! Brother Karpick added another key to his chain after his recent initiation into the Iron Key, national service fraternity. Brother Whistler was recently initiated into the AZ, Agriculture honorary, also.

Recent betting on the football games

was also the day of Homecoming activities on the campus. The new members are: Brothers Albert Nencioni, Washington; Roy Mullen, Vineland, New Jersey; Michael Moore, Washington; John McLachlan, Welcome, Maryland; and John Briggs, Shickshinny, Pennsylvania.

With the very generous aid of our alumni association, the chapter has been able to purchase a new Philco television set. It was an asset during the rushing season, and from present indications it will be an asset at any time, and all the time. We have taken a great deal of pleasure in being able to see the televised football games and the many other well produced programs, and we are looking forward to see the televised pictures of the Rose Bowl game. A further indication of how popular the television set is came on the night of the heavyweight championship fight. Our lounge was packed to capacity. A capacity audience is the surest proof of success and popularity.

In intramural sports . . . our touch-football team placed third. After a very good beginning the team seemed to slow down. We are looking forward to the basketball season with more favor and good fortune. It is also our intention to enter a swimming team into the competition, as well as a bowling team, for a placing in all intramural sports ratings.

One of our recent pledges, Tom Waggoner of Lawrenceville, Illinois, was a member of the 1946 University of Illinois Big Nine championship team. He played in the 1947 New Year's Day Rose Bowl game, and is quite proud of his team's accomplishments.

"Doc" Holton has replaced Herb Fuchs as chapter adviser. Herb has accepted a position in New York. We are very happy to welcome "Doc" into the participation of our activities . . . . We are now in the process of quarterly elections . . . the results will be published in the next issue of *The Signet* . . . . Our Moon-

light Girl contest was a success . . . we are looking for good results in the national contest . . . . Our Christmas dance will be held singularly this year . . . Held annually with Lambda and Eta, this year those chapters were unable to integrate their plans with ours. . . . In keeping with a University plan for decorating the campus in Christmas dress, Epsilon Triton Chapter planned and executed a unique decoration for the Chapter House.

Cliff Evans will be in Washington soon, and it is our intention to have him visit with us. Cliff and his partner have just completed their round-the-world flight in Piper Cub planes.

Following is a list of our new pledges: Edward Ahrens, Brooklyn, New York; Arthur Butler, Long Island, New York; William Cassard, Riva, Maryland; Fred Cavanaugh, Boston, Massachusetts; William Corrigan, Bridgeport, Connecticut; Donald Cuddihy, New York, New York; Si Balchum, Shickshinny, Pennsylvania; Charles Coleson, New York, New York; Ralph Childs; Elliott Keppler, Whippany, New Jersey; George Karibjanian, Vineland, New Jersey; John Krupin, New York, New York; Fred Kotteck, New York, New York; Thomas Hamlin, Washington; Harold Hurst, Morristown, New Jersey; Richard Hill, Washington; Lee Krider, Washington; Wallace Lyons, Baltimore, Maryland; Sheffield Lippincott, Taunton, Massachusetts; Neil Marsh, Silver Spring, Maryland; Charles McCormick, Washington; John Rabner, Bethesda, Maryland; John Stewart, Peoria, Illinois; Harry Spaulding, Wellesley, Massachusetts; James Tomkins, Arlington, Virginia; Robert Wildermuth, Nonticoke, Pennsylvania; Robert Smalley, Jr., Elizabeth, New Jersey; Thomas Waggoner, Lawrenceville, Illinois; Le Roy Webb, Washington; Earl Walker, Scranton, Pennsylvania; Jack Woods, Hartshorne, Oklahoma; James Wilbur, Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania.

### LAMBDA

George Washington University

By BILL CARROLL

A housewarming for the entire university started the fall season at Lambda Chapter. The purpose of this function was to acquaint the faculty and student body with our new house and we were justly proud of our efforts when between twelve and fifteen hundred guests complimented us for "the most beautiful house on the campus."

Fall rushing commenced immediately after the housewarming and under the direction of Brother Ed Faison and Brother John Gray a very successful rush season resulted. Lambda Chapter was enriched by twenty-eight of the best men, and our pledge class, with their enthusiasm and group spirit offers unlimited possibilities. The officers of the pledge class are as follows: President, Dennis Crow; Vice-President, Harold Hart; Secretary, Robert Craft; Treasurer, Jay

McGlaughlin. Also wearing Phi Sigma pledge pins are: Alfred Aldridge, Patrick Bertelsman, Richard Borden, Andrew Cooke, Jim Crowley, Valentine Dadamio, Jerry Dulcie, Howard Flieger, John Gilroy, Leonard Grant, James Jones, Norville Jones, William Koontz, Miles Margargle, James Moore, Bruce Morgan, Alfred Nowicki, Richard O'Brien, Howard Paul, Frank Simmons, Richard Tribbe, Oscar Will, and John Gzessjke-wic.

Al Taufer was received into the bond of brotherhood on October 6th. Brother Taufer hails from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and is a member of the sophomore class at the university.

Lambda's social season has been an outstanding success to date and under the excellent direction of Social Chairman Stan Williams we have had Sunday afternoon tea dances for Delta Zeta and Alpha Delta Pi sororities. During Rush Week we had the pleasure of entertain-



PART OF THE BALLROOM, LAMBDA CHAPTER HOUSE

ing Kappa Alpha Theta at a tea dance and Kappa Kappa Gamma at a cocktail party. The pledges gave us a beer party early in the semester which was thoroughly enjoyed by actives and pledges alike. The Mothers' and Wives' Club invited the chapter to a parents' tea and had as their honor guests the parents of the new pledges.

One of the most successful of the latest ventures at Lambda is the Mothers' and Wives' Club. Although comparatively new, having been formed only this semester, the club has completely won the hearts of the brothers. Not content with helping decorate the house and providing refreshments for our social functions, the mothers and wives see to it that all brothers who are not able to get home during the holidays receive invitations to dinner. They have recently started a sewing circle during their meetings,

where they sew buttons and repair clothes for brothers living in the house.

In the sports world Phi Sig at George Washington has become a very definite power to deal with. At this writing we are undefeated in the ping-pong tournament and have lost no games in our football league, although we tied one. The chapter is anxiously looking forward to the coming intramural competitions in swimming, bowling, fencing, and wrestling. Our special thanks go to Brother Gene Leonard who, as Athletic Chairman, did a splendid job in organizing and coaching the various teams.

With Christmas drawing near Lambda is looking forward to the annual Christmas dance. This year we will have a formal dance in our new house.

Plans have been completed to entertain the George Washington University varsity football team and the coaching



A CORNER OF THE LIBRARY, LAMBDA CHAPTER HOUSE



Mrs. McCoskey of Mothers' Club serving punch at Tea Dance with Alpha Delta Pi Sorority.

staff at a beer party in the near future.

A caroling party is being planned as a last get-together before the brothers leave for the Christmas recess. With Kappa



Tea dance in honor of Delta Zeta Sorority. Mrs. B. (Goggie) Ogsbury serving punch. Mrs. Ogsbury is a member of the Mothers' and Wives' Club and is Brother Stan Williams grandmother.

Alpha Theta as our guests we plan to serenade the various sorority rooms and the girls' dormitories. We have made tentative arrangements to enter the White House grounds and sing on the lawn.

Phi Sigma Kappa men have received their share of honors at the University

LAMBDA CHAPTER FOOTBALL TEAM  
(White House in background)



this semester. The following brothers were pledged to Delta Phi Epsilon, honorary foreign service fraternity: Dean Schlup, Bill Collins, and Tom Moncure. Brother Stan Williams, past president of the chapter, and a member of the circulation staff of the HATCHET, University newspaper, was elected president of the sophomore class.

Brother Tom Moncure is captain of the varsity rifle team, and Brother Charles Lilien was elected the Student Council representative for THE SURVEYOR, a new literary magazine on the campus. Brother Lilien is also Vice-President of the University debating squad. Brother Lew Hoffacker, who has just completed a term as president of the chapter, was tapped for Omicron Delta Kappa, national leadership honor society for men; he also was named in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities." Brother Eric Nordholm still retains his position as Commodore of the George Washington University sailing team.

Chapter officers just elected are as follows: President, Eugene Trimble; Vice-President, Charles Lilien; Secretary, Ray Howar; Treasurer, Melvin Chrisman; Sentinel, Dave Mancini; and Inductor, Bob Abbott.

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## THETA TRITON University of Texas

By BOB ADAMS

As the semester has progressed the Phi Sig Chapter at the University of Texas has become more and more a well-known member of the campus Greek world. Through trial and error and the suggestions of other fraternities Theta Triton has been fast developing into a well-knit organization. Many obstacles have been encountered, and others will be found in the future, but the chapter feels that it is firmly established despite its being only six months of age.



*Activities*

This past month all of our energy and attention has been devoted to the Moonlight Girl contest. All of the fellows are somewhat sad that the contest is over and there are no longer beautiful girls decorating the parlor. It was great while it lasted!

Each sorority on the campus was invited to send a candidate and a sponsor to an open house, at which the nominees were presented by their sponsors. The girls submitted pictures of themselves and a week later the Moonlight Girl of Theta Triton was elected. The beautiful winner was Miss Ruth Sawyer of San Antonio, a pledge of Delta Gamma. Texas is noted for its pretty girls, and all of the Phi Sigs think Ruth is just about the prettiest in the whole state.

The week during which the contest ran was one of the most enjoyable that any of us have ever had. There were many serenades and girls at our doorstep. One of the biggest surprises came when two expressmen delivered a large package labeled "To all of the Phi Sigs." Inside was found one of the nominees, serene and lovely after her rather hazardous delivery. Never has there been a week in which the brothers were an object of as much female attention.

The formal presentation of the Moonlight Girl was held Sunday evening, November 23rd. Each candidate was called upon the stage constructed in the parlor, then the top five girls were presented, and finally, the Phi Sig Moonlight Girl. The top five consisted of Miss Pat Stevens of Gamma Phi Beta, Miss Betty Bauman of Zeta Tau Alpha, Miss Mary Mae McDonald of Delta Zeta, Miss Betty Jean Farrell of Kappa Alpha Theta, and Miss Ruth Sawyer of Delta Gamma. The Moonlight Girl was "pinned" by our president, Douglas McNair and given a large bouquet of American Beauty roses. One of our very active supporters, Brother E. L. Howell of Hous-

ton, took color motion pictures of the contestants and helped in many ways to make the occasion one not to be soon forgotten.

Along the social line still, mention must be made of the choice of Miss Claudia Poff of Alpha Phi as the Phi Sigma Kappa Bluebonnet Belle nominee. The Bluebonnet Belles are girls picked by each organization for presentation in a special section of the Cactus, the college yearbook.

The Phi Sigs also have given an open house for the Alpha Phi's this semester and have been the guests of the Phi Mu's at an open house.

Pledge Malcolm Pratt is the candidate of the chapter for the annual Coronation Ball held by the Delta Zetas at which one of the Dukes is selected to reign as King of the occasion.

*Membership*

The strength of Theta Triton is ever increasing, and recently the following were added to the ranks of the pledges: Wallace Zieschang, Richard Kinney, Keneth Dyer, Ray Laurentz, and Vance Barker. Initiation services will be held December 13 for Nuel Childs, George (Sleepy) Johnson, James Leavesley, Charles Luther, James Rosbrough, Curtis Scott and Blair Justice.

Plans are being made for another big rush party this semester, as well as continuous rushing on a smaller scale. The Phi Sigs have found a strong interest in their fraternity by many men on the campus and hope to have an active membership of around 40 men by the close of the school year.

*Alumni*

We wish to thank once again Brother E. L. Howell for all of the time that he has devoted to helping us and organizing the Phi Sigs in Texas. At the present moment, about 60 Phi Sigs have been contacted in the state. They have all shown an interest in this, the first chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa in the South-

west, and many of them are at work organizing strong alumni groups. We are sincerely grateful to these men.

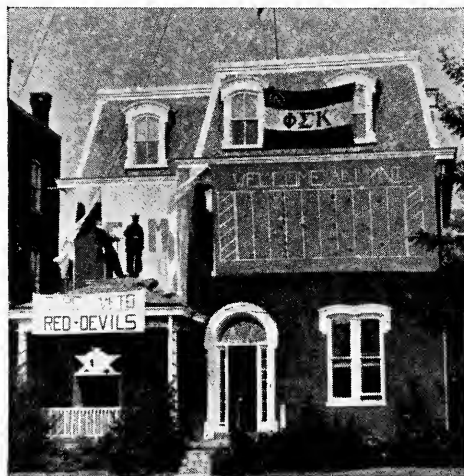
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## PI

### Franklin and Marshall College

By ED BRUBAKER

This fall at Franklin and Marshall the rushing of the freshmen was delayed until the second semester. The usual explosion of rushing activities was therefore not a part of this semester's activities.



Pi Chapter House repainted and decorated for Homecoming Week-end.

However, in looking back over the past weeks, the brothers of Pi Chapter certainly have not been napping and in many ways feel that we have the right to do a little crowing. Here goes.

Although we were not permitted to rush freshmen, we did manage to gather a select group of pledges from the upper classmen and a pledge training program is being carried out by pledge-master, Bill Rump. Following next week's construction period, we hope to be able to report the initiation of our class in the near future.

In preparation for Homecoming week-end, October 25th, we went into a full swing of activities. The house was re-

painted by the brethren, an accomplishment which made us much prouder of our quarters and of ourselves. Then, of course, there were the traditional house decorations for the week-end. Electric lights played an important part in the decorations, and at night something of the magical effect of a Christmas tree was achieved. But perhaps our proudest accomplishment was the revival of our old pre-war chapter publication, the "Pi Crust." Under the able editorship of Ken Schmidt, the chatty news sheet made its first appearance just before Homecoming. Judging from the response, it seems that the "Pi Crust" admirably fulfilled its task of helping the alumni to keep in touch with the active brothers. All the Homecoming preparations were climaxed by the open-house festivities for the alumni arranged by the social committee headed by Bob Muehe.

This activity about the house did not seem to interfere with our participation in the regular campus activities.

In intramural sports, it gives us particular satisfaction to announce that our football team won the college championship. This gives us the championship for the second year in succession and a new trophy for our growing collection. The heroes who contributed to this feat were brothers George Abel, Bill Dry, Willi Duff, Bob Fink, Dick Helm, Swift Lockard, Bob Muehe, Bill Rump, Jim Ring, Charles Rutter, Art Switzer, Jim Humphreville, Earl Kauffmann, and George Murdock, our manager.

Twelve of the brothers took an active part in the college drama club's production of Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men." Our veteran actor, Jim Dolan, played the lead role of "George" and Jacob Shamas appeared as "Crooks." Pi Chapter supplied the stage manager, business manager, program manager, and the scene designer in the persons of Brothers Bill Caldwell, George Murdock, Dick Groff, and Ed Brubaker, respectively.

On the varsity soccer team, Brothers

Bob Muehe and Bill Barr played their second year of ball, and Tom Campbell was a newcomer on the team. This year's team made the second best record in the College's soccer history and we are proud of the contribution our men made to it.

Brother Meredith ("Abe") Ashby made a truly excellent record this year in the fullback position in varsity football. "Abe" has made a strong come-back in football after being away from the game for nearly five years. A broken back interrupted his season way back in '42, an interruption which was prolonged by the war years. His record this year was an average of 6.5 yards for every try. In addition to this fine record of consistent yard gaining, "Abe" is considered by many of the local fans as the team's outstanding defensive fullback. Pi Chapter proudly presents "Abe" Ashby for inclusion in the 1947 All-Phi-Sigma-Kappa football team.

Individual distinction came to four of the brotherhood when students and faculty members selected Brothers Bill Zinzow, Jim Dolan, Art Switzer, and Bob Muehe for citation in the 1947 "Who's Who in Colleges," a listing of outstanding students and campus leaders.

The social calendar has been highlighted this fall by a series of "after-the-game" dances. Under the chairmanship of Bob Muehe, the social committee is now hard at work, arranging the formal dinner-dance which traditionally climaxes our season just before the Christmas vacation. Full details will have to await our next letter.

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### ALPHA

University of Massachusetts

By D. J. McCARTHY

The first big event to take place here at Alpha during the current semester was rushing. The rushing period lasted for one week and closed on the first of No-

vember. Under the able direction of Brother Bill Tunis, Phi Sig completed a very successful rushing program with the pledging of twenty-one freshmen and sixteen upper-classmen. During rushing the Phi Sigs held open house each night and every effort was made to show the house to all the new students. On November the third, a pledge banquet was held after which the formal pledging exercises took place. The men who became pledges are: Wilford H. Hooper, Kenneth A. Cutting, Albert S. Marulli, Donald F. Costello, Albert J. Hodgess, Philip G. Roth, Robert P. Anderson, Al Caron, Rudolph F. Mutter, Jr., Warren S. Blodget, William V. Smith, Julian J. Wilk, John J. Freeman, Robert V. Gantry, Eugene H. Varney, Robert J. Kelsey, John A. Dunn, Edward G. White, Allen J. Trombla, Malcolm T. Payne, Paul Piusz, Frederick P. Lahey, R. Bruce Wogan, Herman Leo Evers, Philip C. Hammond, John F. Ladd, William E. Leidt, Jr., John J. Scott, Jr., James J. Turco, Donald C. Jacques, Andrew N. Mangum and Edward F. McCauley. These new pledges are now undergoing a training period under Pledge Trainer Tunis and will be initiated into the fraternity next semester. Brother Tunis is conducting pledge meetings one night each week and has assigned each new pledge a "Big Brother." It is the duty of these "Big Brothers" to supervise the indoctrination of the pledges and to give them all possible assistance. This system is working out very well and is promoting much understanding and friendship between the members and the pledges. Brother Tunis plans to have some of the near-by alumni speak at future pledge meetings.

Phi Sig held Homecoming week-end on October 25th and 26th. Invitations were sent out to all known alumni of the chapter and a number of the brothers showed up for the reunion. Most of those who were unable to attend sent

correspondence to the chapter so that we were able to renew contact with most of our alumni. After a football game in the afternoon in which the University of Massachusetts defeated Norwich University, beer kegs were tapped in the "rec" room. A buffet dinner was served, followed by a dance later on in the evening.

Brother George Kopp recently received a rejection slip from the Saturday Evening Post to which he had submitted a post-war anecdote. The brothers offered a silent prayer when George got the rejection for if his anecdote had been accepted it would have been difficult, if not impossible, to live with him. He is framing the rejection and is now concentrating on an article which he will submit to Colliers. In view of Brother Kopp's literary genius he has been elected by a unanimous vote of the brothers to be SIGNET Correspondent. He will take over his duties with the next issue of The SIGNET.

As usual, the Phi Sigs have had their share of social events. In addition to special parties and dances, we have had a number of "vic" parties. Plans are now under way for a Christmas party which will be held on the thirteenth of December. This party will be under the direction of Brother Bill Merrill and Pledges Al Hodgess and Mal Payne.

A glee club is being formed under the direction of Brothers Herb Holden and Will Learned. This club will compete in the Interfraternity Sing to be held in February. Brother Holden has been elected reporter for the Interfraternity Council. Brothers Bill Tunis and Herb Holden are on the Military Ball Committee. The Ball is to be held on December 5th and music will be provided by Gene Krupa. Brother Tunis and Brother Ed Szetela are on the Winter Carnival Committee. This is the last semester for Brothers Dave Jackson, Sam Price, and Dan McCarthy, who complete their graduation requirements in February.

## OMICRON DEUTERON

### University of Alabama

Omicron Deuteron has been going "great guns" since the fall quarter began in September. Along with their intensive study the actives and pledges have found time for such amusements as attending the Alabama football games, holding tea dances, buffet suppers and weiner roasts. Both scholastically and in the realm of amusements the Phi Sigs here on the U. of A. campus have been giving their all.

The Phi Sig's Open House and Homecoming party held here November 22 was a big success. Spirits, which were already in high gear, soared skyward when the "Ole" alma mater came through with a resounding 41-12 victory over L.S.U. and afterward the bid to the "Sugar Bowl" game. The front lawn was elaborately decorated in keeping with the Homecoming theme, "LSMFT" Louisiana State Must Fall Today, and we take our hats off to the Brothers James Massey, Jack Martin and pledges Charles (Tip) Rice and Johnny Van Tassell and all the others who worked so diligently on these decorations, and especially to pledge Wade who volunteered to stay up during the night to guard the decorations.

At the first Open House since before the war, it was our pleasure to entertain Brothers E. H. Saunders '28, J. H. Scruggs '27, J. N. Taylor '33, G. A. Pettitt '30, and W. Kimbrough '33. We are looking forward to their return visit to the chapter house. We wish to thank Brother Fred Taylor of the Birmingham News for helping us inform the alumni of activities held at the chapter house during Homecoming and extend him a welcome to the house anytime he is at the University.

A big step was taken by the chapter in the initiation of Dr. Fred J. Cox and subsequent election to the position of Faculty and Chapter Adviser (upon approval of National). Dr. Cox is a graduate of

the University of California and is professor of history at the University. It is with much regret that Brother Edward Dennis is leaving us but we wish him much success in his new job.

Brother Don Salls, head football coach at Jacksonville State Teachers College, Jacksonville, Alabama, in his second year as coach had an undefeated season and deserves a big hand from all the Phi Sigs. And along with the All-Phi Sig football team, we would like to nominate him as the honorary Phi Sig football coach of the year.

During the first part of the quarter, initiation was held for Henry McNeal and Thomas Klomprens and the new pledges are: Sage Copeland, Johnny Van Tassell, Robert Burnham, William Wade, John Garner, David Evans, John Lair, and Charles Rice.

To surprise us, our president, Clyde Wolfe became engaged to Miss Jane Quarles, Theta Upsilon; William Wade was married in Birmingham after the Georgia Tech game (we believe you now, Bill); and Johnny Van Tassell became engaged.

The chapter house was improved greatly by the addition of a Duran sofa and a lot of work on the part of the actives and pledges. The large back yard has been cleaned and plans are being made for parties to be held there in the spring.

Brother Jones is now wearing the hammer of Theta Tau and is to be congratulated upon making this honor society. Brother Henry McNeal surprised us when he started "jitterbugging" during the dance at the house following the Homecoming game. Pledge Burnham, although a sophomore, is already teaching typography, thanks to his previous training, but the English language that he prints so well seems to give him a hard time. Brother James Massey is completing his work at the University this quarter and will be missed, especially his typewriter at 2 a. m. Brother Armstrong has acquired a strong liking to

late dates in a push-it—almost as strong as the smell he creates in the house each night with his cooking. Pledge Thompson is now discovering the perplexities of a used car since acquiring one recently. "Tip" Rice is also having trouble with his girl friends, especially the one living on the edge of town.

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## PI DEUTERON Ohio State University

By EDWARD S. DRAKE AND DAN GARST

The Phi Sig Moonlight Girl Contest has had wide acclaim on the Ohio State campus. Four notices concerning the contest have appeared on the front page of the daly campus newspaper, "The Lantern." Also several notices have appeared in the Columbus papers, including an article by a feature writer. The contest, which has given Pi Deuteron much favorable publicity around the Ohio State campus, was very well directed by Keith Miller and his committee. There were twenty-four original candidates and from these five finalists were chosen. These five were brought to dinner at the chapter house and were judged by professional judges. The winner will be announced at our winter formal, the Carnation Ball, to be held December 12. All five girls will be guests of honor at the dance and the winner will be presented with a loving cup during the intermission.

On December 5th, Pi Deuteron Chapter had a "Sales Tax Stamp" party at the house. The object of the party was to collect state sales tax stamps which can be redeemed at 3% of their face value. Admission, cokes, refreshments, dances, and gambling games were all paid for with tax stamps. The receipts of the party amounted to \$35.00 which brings our tax stamp fund up to \$87.00. We hope to soon have enough money in the fund to purchase a new radio-phonograph combination set.

Since the last issue of The SIGNET, we

have had three pledges: they are Seth Hoak, Dick Nunamaker, and John De Fournay. We now have 25 actives and 17 pledges.

The fraternity Manager's Association had its annual Christmas party to which each member fraternity invited three guests. The merchants who serve F.M. A. made donations which were raffled to the guests. Brother Kenneth Diehl was fortunate in winning a turkey, and was big-hearted enough to give it to the chapter. It was served on Thursday night, the night rushees are entertained.

Brothers Kenneth Diehl, Gordon Bricker and pledge De Fournay are members of Ohio Staters, a service organization and a top notch organization on the campus. It is limited in membership to 36 students and 9 faculty and administration men. Our Chapter Adviser, Edward S. Drake has been the adviser ever since it was organized in 1932.

Brother Diehl has the second male

lead in the Strollers production of Personal Appearance. He has done an outstanding job.

Brother Ralph Snyder and Yvonne Leatherman, a junior and a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma will be married during the Christmas holidays.

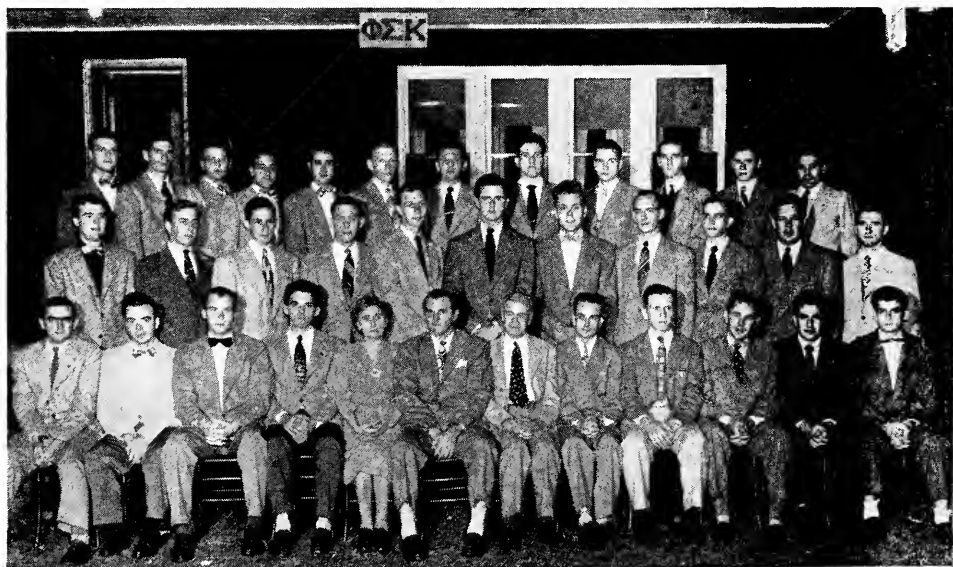
Pi Deuteron had a good time playing Santa Claus to eight children from the Godman Guild House. Games were played and presents given to the children.

Our new officers are Thomas T. Taggart, President; Gordon W. Bricker, Vice-President; James E. Willis, Secretary; Joseph C. Shaw, Treasurer, and Richard A. Slyker, Sentinel.

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### XI DEUTERON University of Tennessee

As rush week came to a weary close on the "Hill," Phi Sigs in their big colonial mansion breathed a sigh of relief,



#### PI DEUTERON CHAPTER

Front row, left to right—J. Tuttle, D. Garst, R. Conrad, R. Snyder, Mrs. Smith, House Mother, W. Condon, Pres., E. S. Drake, Adviser, H. Lyle, J. Shaw, J. Willis, F. Palombo, R. Strollo.  
Middle row—R. Breberman, J. Gabriel, N. Travasso, R. Leatherman, J. Frost, R. Squires, R. Walsh, K. Miller, T. Taggart, E. Hays, G. Bricker.  
Top row—K. Diehl, K. Snow, M. Orr, D. Ramicone, J. Di Benedetto, R. Hammond, W. Sinkhorn, S. Ware, J. Pfahl, C. Thomas, R. Slyker, H. Buerger.

well entitled to proudness for formal pledging of 35 outstanding pledges October 1st. We closed the most successful rush season that Xi Deuteron has ever had.

Hardly taking time to draw a deep breath, the Phi Sigs rushed from pledging activities into campus politics where Brother Joe Rogoski plays a leading role. For the first time in 9 years, the Phi Sigs saw their candidate for "Miss Tennessee" emerge triumphant in one of the closest contests on record. A proper celebration was appropriately had by all.

Even after election day, there was no time for relaxation. "Barnwarming" and other outstanding campus social events kept the social ball rolling. Between these campus socials, however, the Phi Sigs found time to enjoy a cold but interesting hayride to Clingman's Dome in the heart of the Great Smoky Mountains. Almost immediately afterwards, Zeta Tau Sorority invaded the house for a night of dancing to the music of the "Illusioneers," the South's most outstanding negro band, a band which, incidentally is owned by Phi Sig Prexy-Elect, Gordon Sams. An open house for parents and friends of members as well as officers of other fraternities and sororities on the campus was attended by over four hundred guests, and the open house was closely followed by a beer bust given for the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. It may have been the beer, but the Pikes were properly mystified by the magic tricks of Brother Roger Bohanoen.

The social events at the house have been more greatly enjoyed due to the presence of a beautiful Baby Grand Piano which was given to the fraternity by the Phi Sigettes, the Phi Sig Wives' and Mothers' Club. This club was formed through the efforts of Brother Charlie Eastland and has proven a great boon to the chapter.

Campus activities continue to claim an increasingly large number of Phi Sigs. Brother Dave Dodson continues to hold

down the student seat on the Athletic Council. Brother Sams serves as secretary and booking agent for the Nahheeyalli Board, the student organization bringing outstanding name bands to the campus. Brother Sams also serves as chairman of the A.S.C. Dance Committee, having under him Brothers Hyder and Chesnutt and Pledge Bowers as members; Brother Tarpy retired as Managing Editor of the "Tennessee Farmer." Brother Robin Johnson has been very busy serving as delegate to the Southern Convention of Delta Sigma Pi held in Atlanta and also as delegate to the National Convention in Wisconsin. In addition, he serves as vice-president of the "Playhouse," U. T.'s dramatic organization, where he is joined by Brother Whiteside as secretary. Brothers Mays and Wampler serve as co-circulation managers of "The Tennessean" of which Brother Graham is Make-up Manager and Pledge Waters is Advertising Manager. Serving on the "Orange & White" are Brother Wampler, Circulation Manager, and under him are Brother Mays and pledges Prendergast, Affel, Lee, and Waters. Brother Bohanon is the new Vice-President of the Fraternity Relations Board. Brother Overton is Vice-President of the Block & Bridle Club. (Incidentally, Brother Overton is challenging the statement issued by a Northern University to the effect that the most fertile land in the world is in New Guinea. Brother Overton says that it is in New Tazewell, Tennessee.) Pledge Stan Merritt is President of A.I.E.E. and Managing Editor of the "Tennessee Engineer." Recently when the "Circle & Torch" was installed as the Beta Nu circle of Omicron Delta Kappa on the University of Tennessee Campus, Brother George Clement was initiated as a charter member. In addition to these, there are eleven Phi Sigs in Pershing Rifles and seven in the school band of which pledge Gerry Dotson is student director and special arranger.

Brother Dotson is recognized as one of the most talented young arrangers in this section of the country.

No sooner had Brothers Graham and Houk been initiated than Brother Houk pinned his one and only girl, joining Brothers Anderson and Barnes in the elite circle of the "pinned." Not satisfied with pinning his sparring mate, Prexy Bill Price slipped away one weekend and came back sheepish and married. He joined another Phi Sig, Brother Hal Parks, who was married in June and decided to say nothing of it until October. Brother Murphy Miller pinned his gal and also gave her an engagement ring. Finally, Brother Jack Ramsey is planning on repeating the fatal words come New Year's Day.

They say all good things come to those who wait, and look what happened to our Phi Deuteron brothers. Chartering a bus, forty-two Xi Deuteronites and dates proceeded en masse to Lexington to view the Vols dine on wildcat meat. They say that it was mighty tough. Speaking of southern hospitality, the Xi Deuteronites, including dates and house-mother, found Phi Deuteronites Conley, Palumbo, and Miranda (Phi Deuteron's senior pledge) sound asleep on the sofa and in their pajamas. They had one pair between the three of them. Despite the shock, the Xi Deuteronites did quick and speedy justice to the bacon and eggs served up in 20 minutes by the efficient brothers from Kentucky. (Tennessee 13, Kentucky 7). After the game, the Phi Deuteronites threw a huge dance in the Blue Room at the Phoenix Hotel where a fine time was had by all. Xi Deuteron Brother Jack Whiteside held up the piano all through the dance. (Tennessee 13, Kentucky 7). Incidentally, the bar room bartenders were moaning because they didn't get any business during the dance. (13-7!!! You know who.) Our sympathy and appreciation, Gentlemen, and although Tennessee won, Brother

Rhodemeyer was every inch an All-American.

Looking forward to the coming new year, the Phi Sigs have elected the following officers: Gordon Sams, President; John Wampler, Vice-President; Roy William Montrose Graham, Jr., Secretary; David Dodson, Treasurer and House Manager; Jack Webster, Sentinel; and Bill Dodson, Inductor.

Our chapter moans the loss of three more seniors this quarter. This debarkation is of particular concern to us as these men are the last of our "old seasoned" actives.

They are: Brothers Marvin Tarp, Kenneth Clarke, and George Clement.

"Tarp" has been most efficient in many capacities during his undergraduate membership period. He served in splendid fashion as Vice-President last year. U. T. students will long remember his editorials in the "Tennessee Farmer," the "AG" school magazine of which "Tarp" was Editor-in-chief. President of the Newman Club, a Catholic organization, was also one of Marvin's many honors. A fine friend and always a gentleman, Marvin Tarp will long be remembered by all of us here.

Keneth Clark was pledged before the war. Back when the going was the toughest, Brother Clark proved his faithfulness to his chapter in all its activities. A hard working Brother, "Superman's" wise words of advice during our meetings has kept many of us in tow lately. Xi Deuteron really suffers a loss as "Superman" makes his long awaited exit.

Our "old master" George Clement, will really leave us in a hole. George has served in every office of our chapter, and most of them more than once. Before the war George had the vision to foresee the fate of a chapter harrassed by hasty departures of its members to answer our Country's call. Even then George prepared to keep Phi Sigs on the



"Hill." As the result of a minor physical handicap, George did not enter the service in an official capacity but served his country, nevertheless, by publishing the "Phi Sig News," a newspaper he sent to every Xi Deuteron active and pledge, telling of the where-abouts, and general news of all our members. When war clouds faded and one by one our eager lads came drifting back to school, George was here to instigate our obtaining one of the most beautiful houses on the campus. More than anyone else, this man is responsible for our success here. He is not only prominent in our own ranks. He is and has been recognized all over the campus as one of Tennessee's most capable leaders. Although we just can't do Brother "Clem" justice in a few paragraphs, as it would take volumes to list all of his accomplishments, we know his going will be felt for years to come.

Jack "Rambo" Ramsey leaves us this quarter also, but our loss will be the University of Georgia's gain. Brother "Rambo" is majoring in forestry and a complete curriculum is not offered here. Before Jack enters Georgia he will have uttered his last words of authority because on January 1st he becomes a married man. Jack leaves the Xi Deuteron Chapter with the best wishes of all and we know he will be an asset to any school.

#### Pledge Class of '47-'48

Bob Affel, Brooklyn, New York  
 Eugene Armstrong, Lewisburg, Tennessee  
 Sam Boehme, Nashville, Tennessee  
 Judd Brooks, Jackson, Tennessee  
 Howard Clarke, Cookeville, Tennessee  
 Gene Cochran, Jacksonville, Florida  
 Joe Ferguson, Old Hickory, Tennessee  
 Leroy Marsh, Old Hickory, Tennessee  
 James Reed, Old Hickory, Tennessee  
 Harry Gossett, Franklin, Kentucky  
 John Milliken, Franklin, Kentucky  
 Jim Grove, Mascot, Tennessee

Bill Hancock, Ripley, Tennessee  
 Tom Henegar, McMinnville, Tennessee  
 George Jenkins, Soddy, Tennessee  
 Bill Lee, Sevierville, Tennessee  
 John Waters, Sevierville, Tennessee  
 Randal Livesay, Rogersville, Tennessee  
 Bucky Wilson, Rogersville, Tennessee  
 Dick McGraw, Mt. Rainier, Maryland  
 Stan Merritt, Lebanon, Tennessee  
 Jim Murphy, Memphis, Tennessee  
 John I. Parker, Shelyville, Tennessee  
 Bill Neel, Cartersville, Georgia  
 Loyd Reed, Pulaski, Tennessee  
 Tom Yokley, Pulaski, Tennessee  
 Paul T. Smith, Alamo, Tennessee  
 Bob Whitehouse, Oak Ridge, Tennessee  
 Hugh Butcher, Knoxville, Tennessee  
 Jim Cunningham, Knoxville, Tennessee  
 Louis Dotson, Knoxville, Tennessee  
 Jerry Dotson, Knoxville, Tennessee  
 Jim Prendergast, Knoxville, Tennessee  
 Fred Sherrod, Knoxville, Tennessee  
 Leon Willien, Knoxville, Tennessee  
 Kenneth Wood, Knoxville, Tennessee  
 Bill Townsend, Knoxville, Tennessee

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#### ETA DEUTERON

##### University of Nevada

For the first time in the history of the school, Eta Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa led the University of Nevada fraternities in pledging.

With a total of 35 new men signed up for the fall semester, Eta Deuteron, which was inactive during the war, is now classified as one of "the" fraternities at Nevada.

Once one of the fraternity powers in Reno, the Phi Sigs have come a long way since December of 1945 when four members and four pledges moved back into the house.

Assisted by several prominent alumni members and their wives, the house has been remodeled almost entirely. Today's chapter house is a far cry from the dilapidated "old barn" which greeted the members and pledges two years ago.

Not only has the Phi Sig improved materially, but today the house boasts.

many campus leaders. Prominent in student affairs are such members as President Bill Ebert, Secretary Milo Price, former Prexy Curt Baker, Junior Class Manager Bill Gillis, and Ed Drennon, the chapter's social leader and the best man to be pledged in 20 years (in his own words).

Athletically, the Phi Sigs are being



The 35 pledges of Eta Deuteron, the largest pledge group of all the seven fraternities at the University of Nevada.

heard from this year after playing door-mat for the other fraternities the past two seasons. Currently, they are running in second place for the traditional Kinnear Trophy presented each year to the house with the best all-around athletic team. With basketball coming up, the boys have a good chance to drag down first place points in the hardwood sport; with members Matt Klemaszewski, George Lindesmith, Don Reid, and pledges Jim Wehrle, Ted Klemaszewski, Bruno Benna, and Joe Perez ready to "shoot the works."

The first social event of the year took place in September when the members combined to give a party in honor of the pledges—the only time during the semester that the pledges were exempt from the menial everyday chores of cleaning the house.

In November, the boys feted their sweethearts and gals with a Moonlight Dance and, except for the absence of the moon, the party was very successful.

In the social whirl, the Phi Sigs presented their annual Christmas Dinner-

Dance on December 6 at popular Lawton Springs and young "old timers" acclaimed it the best dance to be staged by the house since the chapter was re-activated.

The system of abolishing the "paddle," started last year, has proved to be successful in every respect. Monetary fines have supplemented the former persuasive method of enforcing chapter rules and traditions.

Immediately following the Christmas holidays, plans call for the initiation of pledges with another initiation planned for early in February.

Ted Withers, prominent Reno attorney who served as adviser last year is back again this semester to render guidance when necessary. Mrs. Withers was one of the women responsible for aiding re-decorating and refurnishing the house last year.

Mrs. Ernest R. Harker and Mrs. Peter A. Burke, both mothers of members of the current pledge class were elected president and secretary respectively of the Mothers' Club.

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**Randy Maddox**, Nu '21, was recently promoted to President of the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company at Washington, D. C.

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**John E. Hill**, Tau '20, is the Resident Branch Manager of A. M. Kidder and Company. He is a member of the New York Stock Exchange, the Shrine, Elks, Rotary Club and is Alderman at Large, for March, 1947-49.

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**Lt. Col. Clark Webber**, Alpha Deuteron '31, is at present Army Adviser with the Chinese Army Staff in Nanking, China.

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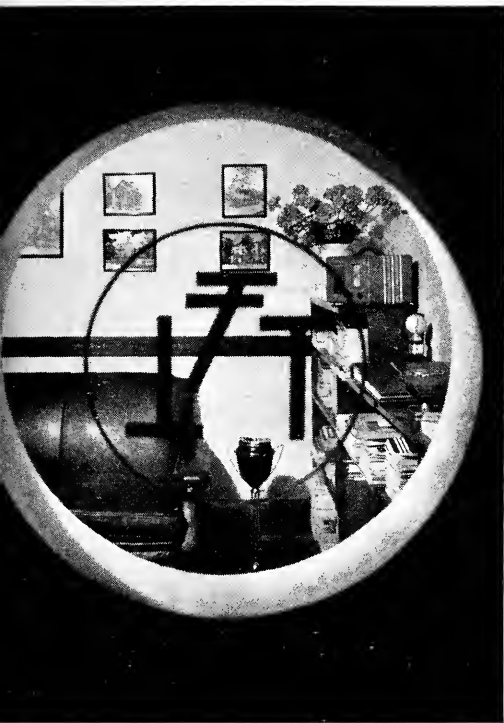
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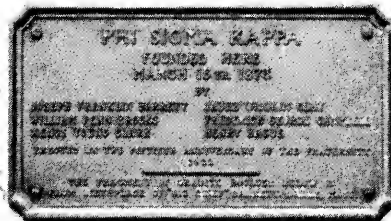
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# Future Greatness of Phi Sigma Kappa

*To the southern wall of North College, the original building of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, now the University of Massachusetts, in Amherst, is affixed a plaque commemorating the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa. You who read The SIGNET know what it looks like. A few of you will make a pilgrimage to it in August. For many years Alpha men, from tousel-headed to bald, have gathered before it on Founders' Day to renew their pledge of loyalty to the ideals of brotherhood. It has come to be the shrine of this society.*

*It was first unveiled by the sons of Brother Watts exactly twenty-five years ago. The dedicatory address was given by the inimitable Dr. Root, "Past Chancellor," not himself a founder but an intimate associate thereof, who personally had collected 50-cent contributions from 1648 alumni for this memorial and had presided over its preparation and installation. The granite base he brought from the Barre farm where his boyhood friend, Joseph F. Barrett, "The Big Chief," was born and bred. The inscription featured the names of the founders — Barrett and his five associates: Brooks, Campbell, Clay, Clark, and Hague — who in the room behind the wall of weathered brick brought about the organization and conceived most of the esoteric ritual of a new fraternity. The cryptic figures above were, and are still, we trust, meaningful and memorable to Phi Sigma Kappa pilgrims, old and young. In looking back over fifty years of Alpha history and national colonization, Dr. Root had a right to be proud of his chapter and fraternity.*

*Today we pass another milestone, a seventy-fifth, and it is eminently fitting that we linger for a little wherever we may be and reconsecrate ourselves in the spirit of our Phi Sigma Kappa ancestors to the lofty ideals which they enunciated in their symbolism and in their lives. From the historic spot where their inspiration came to them their voices speak to us in stirring eloquence. This anniversary is theirs, and ours and, God willing, our children's children's. But the future greatness of Phi Sigma Kappa will be found not in enrolments, or campus distinctions, or in palatial chapter houses, but in the hearts of the brothers: their determination not to be ministered unto, but to minister.*

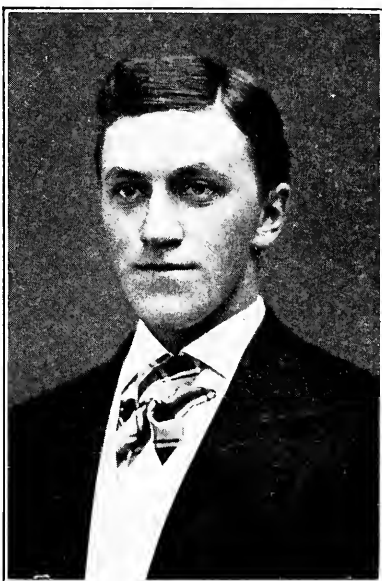
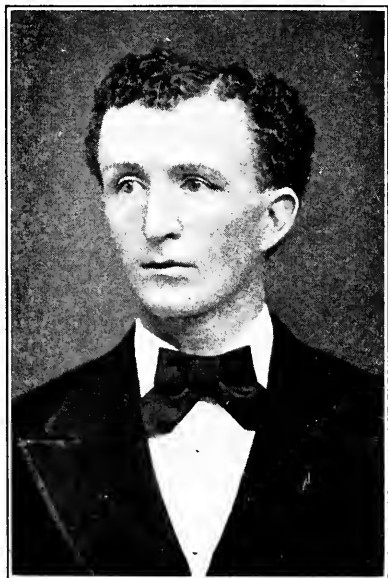
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—Came from a New England farm . . .  
A renowned breeder of fine wool sheep  
. . . —Brooks.



JOSEPH FRANKLIN BARRETT (1854-1918)

—Came from a New England farm . . .  
Had a prominent part in adoption of  
the name by which the fraternity is now  
known and in its development and  
spread as a national fraternity . . . he was  
fitted for the part as no other Founder  
was; generous with both money and  
time, he had the happy faculty of stating  
his views with such humor and wit that  
his advice was almost always followed.  
. . . Attained distinction in production  
and sale of agricultural essentials, fer-  
tilizers, fungicides, insecticides . . .  
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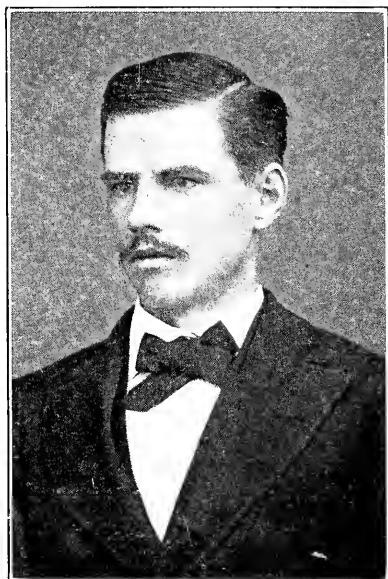
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—Came from a New England farm . . .  
Original constitution is in his handwrit-  
ing . . . A Good Templar . . . teacher,  
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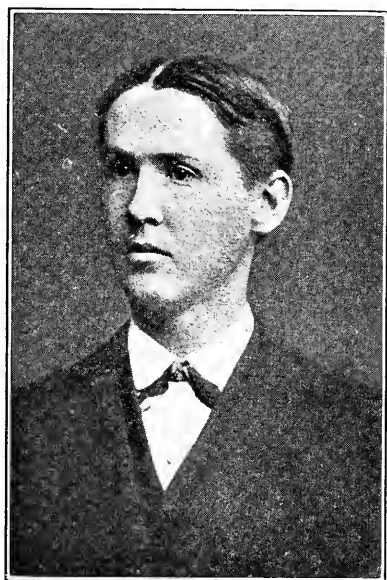
—Came from a New England farm . . . Took the lead in establishing the foundation. In his mind the plan shaped itself; the name, the names of the officers and the calendar were proposed by him . . . A central idea, the more secret the better, the name must be known only to members, hence the alphabet, Clay's invention . . . Attained distinction in production and sale of agricultural essentials, fertilizers, fungicides, insecticides . . . —Brooks.



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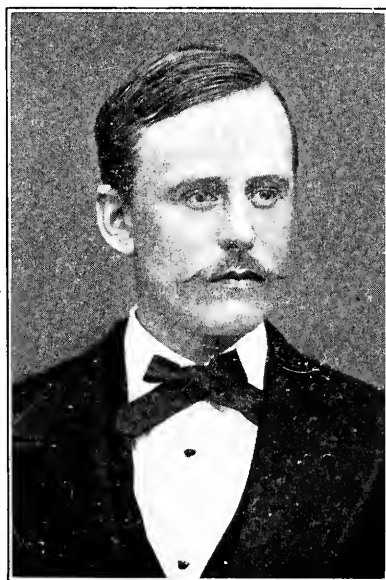


—The son of a distinguished scientist . . . Brilliant promise was denied fruition by ill health . . . —Brooks.



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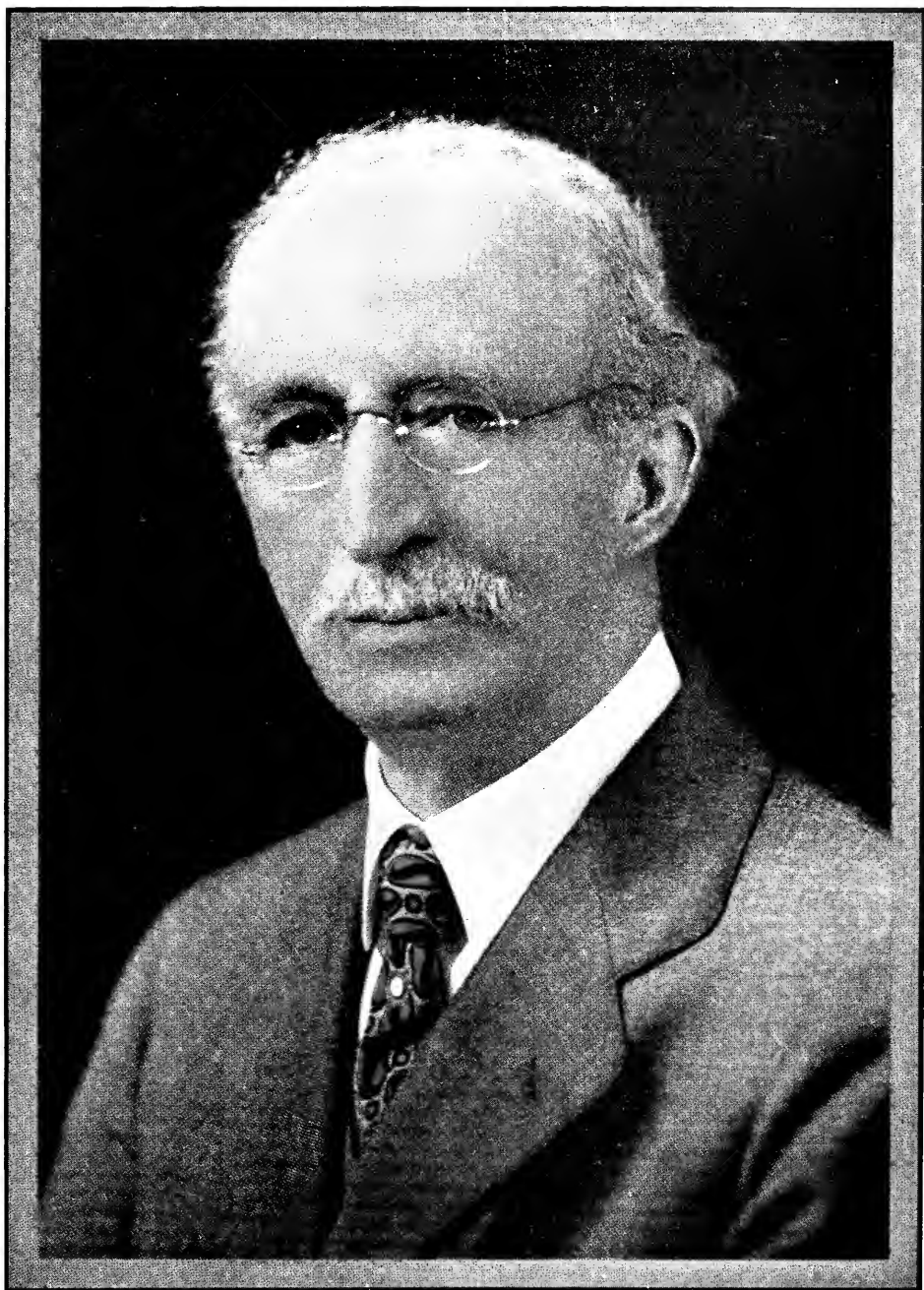


## THOUGHT AND REALIZATION

By William Penn Brooks

*(From Phi Sigma Kappa Historical Motion Picture)*

The thought which resulted in the founding of the Phi Sigma Kappa had its origin in the old Chemical Laboratory of the Massachusetts Agricultural College; its realization was staged in the old North College. Thought and realization! We believe that our Fraternity has exerted and does exert a powerful influence for good in national college life. The thought which lay behind it in the minds of the Founders was good. May our brothers never forget that the foundation for a useful and satisfying life must be thought,—thought resulting in the visualization of a high ideal, and the determination to use all one's strength of body, mind and soul for its realization.



WILLIAM PENN BROOKS  
In Later Life



# *The Motives That Inspired Our Founders*

By HERBERT L. BROWN, National President



*I N this 75th Anniversary of the founding of our Fraternity, I wish to take this opportunity to greet, through the columns of The SIGNET, all Phi Sigma Kappa men everywhere. Wouldn't it be a wonderful thing if we could all gather, nearly 20,000 strong, to celebrate this gala occasion on March 15th — to commemorate that Saturday, seventy-five years ago, when that sturdy little band of six brought to fruition the realization of a vision which has resulted in the heritage we now enjoy.*

*It is fitting that we should contemplate for a moment the motives that inspired these men, our Founders. They were not men interested in the formation of an association merely for social purposes and nothing more as was so frequently the case in those days. They were men of high ideals, men of unusual strength of character, men who had an abiding faith in the fundamental principle that man has an obligation to serve his fellowman, and that life becomes the fuller and richer in the fulfillment of that obligation.*

*As we read of them in our archives, we cannot fail to be impressed with the moral and intellectual fiber that ran through them — "Big Chief" Barrett, the distinguished authority on agricultural essentials; Brooks, the accomplished teacher and writer; Campbell, the highly successful breeder of fine sheep; Clay, the scientist and authority on insecticides; Clark, the brilliant scholar, denied success by an early death; and Hague, the noted Episcopal rector.*

*They builded well, did those Founders, who courageously weathered the storms of the petty criticisms and the partisan opposition that greeted all such projects in those days. They did not try to walk before they learned to creep, but once they could walk, their progress was not to be denied. Their structure was founded on the solid rock of worthy, permanent ideals and not on the quick sands of temporal pleasures, so often the fruits of purely social activities. As the years go by, we who have accepted this heritage are more and more impressed with the rightness of these ideals.*

*The day when fraternity men can set themselves apart as a snobbish autocracy, ruling by "divine right" so to speak, has long since passed. Most Greek leaders throughout the country are fully aware that fraternities must justify their right to exist on our college campuses through a constructive program of service, not only to the individual and to the college, but to society in general.*

*I am proud to say Phi Sigma Kappa now has such a program, and plans are under way to prosecute it intensively in the years to come, thus enabling our Brotherhood to take its rightful place as a leader in the family of college fraternities.*

*The chosen ideals of our Founders — Brotherhood, Scholarship, Character — form the keystone of the foundation for this program, and if we could bring back to us those six men whom we honor today, and who gave us this rich heritage of worthy idealism, I feel certain they would be completely satisfied that we are "making her fair name brighter than the jewels of her emblems."*



*Dedicated To Alpha Chapter  
in honor of its  
Seventy Fifth  
Anniversary*





ROBERT F. BRADFORD  
GOVERNOR

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

February 13, 1948

Earl F. Schoening, National Secretary  
Phi Sigma Kappa  
10 South LaSalle Street  
Chicago 3, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schoening:

It has come to my attention that on March 15, 1948, the Alpha Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity, which was founded at the University of Massachusetts in 1873, will celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary.

On this occasion I am very pleased to send the official greetings of the Commonwealth, and my own personal wishes for the continued success of the Fraternity.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert F. Bradford".

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# Alpha Men In The Grand Chapter

By FRANK PRENTICE RAND, *Chi '12*



AT the time that the history of Phi Sigma Kappa was published in 1923 its author included the names of as many alumni as he could find who were registered in "Who's Who in America." It is of course obvious that that convenient reference book is in no sense a hall of fame but the inclusion of a name does indicate the assumption by the editors that quite occasionally someone will be interested in seeking it out for further information. In the 1923 list of celebrities thirteen were Alpha men and to the best of my knowledge all of these were undergraduate members and not honorary.

As I look over the list now, in 1948, it would seem that perhaps the most distinguished in a national sense was Daniel Willard, who for over thirty years was President of the Baltimore and Ohio

Railroad and established and maintained the unique distinction of being equally popular among the stockholders and the workmen. At the time of his death he was editorially eulogized in many newspapers as "The Grand Old Man of American Railroading." There is some



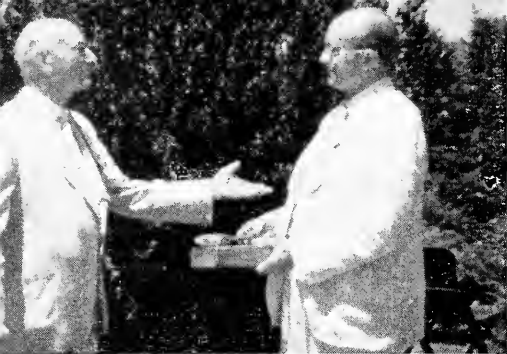
CHARLES SUMNER HOWE



DANIEL C. WILLARD

interest in the fact that another Alpha man, George Campbell, of the Class of 1920, is now Vice-President of that same well-known railroad system.

Perhaps the runner-up in terms of national reputation would be Charles Sumner Howe, who at the time of his retirement as President of the Case School of Applied Science had served as president for so many years that he was sometimes referred to as the "Dean of College Presidents." It was Charles Sumner Howe who edited the earliest *SIGNERS*, in manuscript form, and who suggested



Dr. Joseph E. Root presenting block and gavel, which he carved from white oak grown upon birthplace of "Big Chief" Barrett, to Horace R. Barns, National President elect at the 1932 Convention, Asheville, North Carolina.

the Greek name represented by the letters Phi Sigma Kappa. Those of us who knew him remember him as a most considerate and urbane gentleman, definitely unusual in terms of twentieth-century America.

William Penn Brooks, Founder, was a pioneer in agricultural education; made a notable contribution in the form of a textbook on general agriculture; was for many years in charge of the Experiment Station in Amherst; was a considerable length of time President *ad interim* of the Imperial College of Agriculture at Hokkaido, Japan, and of his Alma Mater, now the University of Massachusetts. Dr. Brooks was out of the country or otherwise engaged during the period of our nationalization but in later years he came to be a regular attendant at local and national conclaves, and contributed largely in terms of inspiration and advice.

As I look at the other names on the list which I have mentioned above, I notice that in large measure they are in the field of natural science, particularly that of entomology, in which field the University of Massachusetts was for many years the outstanding contributor. And the three entomologists on our list may perhaps properly be mentioned by name: Dr. Albert F. Burgess, Dr. A. H. Kirkland, and Dr. Austin W. Morrow.

Three Alpha men have been President of the Grand Chapter. Charles Sumner Howe was the first, but the Grand Chap-

ter in his time was simply an Alpha alumni organization and largely nominal. Joseph F. Barrett, Founder, made more or less of a hobby of the fraternity throughout his life and during the early years during which it was expanded into the national organization which we know, he was Grand President no less than nine times. Dr. John Ashburton Cutter was also President at one time, but his service to the fraternity was usually that of what might be called Executive Secretary: It was Cutter more than any other one man, or probably any other three or four, who established and built up the fraternity as a national organization. From 1885 until 1904 Dr. Cutter was continuously a national officer and



JOHN ASHBURTON CUTTER

usually the most active among the leaders of the fraternity.

Some mention should be made of Dr. Joseph E. Root, not a founder, but, as I remember, the third or fourth initiate and always very close to the Founders,—Barrett's boyhood friend and lifelong as-

sociate. Like Brooks, Dr. Root came into the active leadership of the fraternity rather late in life, officially in 1910, and was a member of the Supreme Court from that time until his death in 1933. His was a colorful personality and he gave to any banquet over which he presided a glamour and suggestive ardor which some of us will never forget.

In our own generation the outstanding Alpha man has been Brother Ralph



RALPH J. WATTS

Watts, Controller of Lawrence College and for one period its acting President. Before going to Wisconsin Brother Watts was Secretary at the University of Massachusetts and for many years the Alumni Adviser of his chapter, his most obvious service being the supervision leading to the erection of the chapter house. In 1923 Brother Watts became Secretary-Treasurer of the Grand Chapter and from that day to this he has been uninterruptedly on the council and always a wholesome and highly regarded in-



ROBERT D. HAWLEY

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WILLARD A. MUNSON



ROLAND H. VERBECK

fluence in fraternal counsel. At present his official titles are those of Director-at-Large and Historian.

At the University of Massachusetts Alpha men at the present time fill several of the more important administrative positions. Brother Robert D. Hawley is Treasurer of the University, Brother Willard A. Munson is Director of the Extension Service, Brother Roland H. Verbeck is Director of Short Courses, and Brother Ralph S. Stedman was President of the Associate Alumni last year. It would seem, therefore, that in terms of the life of Phi Sigma Kappa and also in terms of public service Alpha Chapter has rendered a conspicuous contribution, and certainly Alpha men are justifiably proud of their forebears.

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The picture used to introduce this section on Alpha Chapter is that of Goodell Library, University of Massachusetts.



North College, University of Massachusetts where Phi Sigma Kappa was founded. Phi Sigma Kappa Shrine in first floor wall, left center of picture.

# *The History of Alpha*

By DICK LACEY, *Alpha '49*



HE early history of Alpha Chapter is necessarily the story of the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa on the campus of Massachusetts Agricultural College.

At the time when Barrett, Brooks, Clay, Clark, Campbell and Hague enrolled at Mass. Aggie as members of the class of 1875, there were two fraternal organizations on the campus. Neither one appealed to the six men who soon found that they had something in common. They were all perfectly willing to join a fraternity or secret society but they were not willing to pledge themselves to either of the two organizations then on the campus. Perhaps this unwillingness was due to the fact that the conduct of the fraternity men was in direct opposition to the puritanical background of the Founders of Phi Sigma Kappa. It is a matter of historical record that the strongest beverage permitted within the chapter house was lemonade.

The idea which developed into the principles upon which Phi Sigma Kappa was founded was conceived during a chemistry lecture. Later on, it was fully developed in the rooms of North College, the men's dormitory. It was in this building that the fraternity had its beginning. The spot is commemorated by a shrine on the south wall of North College, a picture of which appears in every issue of the SIGNET. The college authorities lent their aid to the new organization by granting permission to combine some of the rooms on one of the upper floors. Upon completion of the work, the fraternity had its first home.

For the first five years of its existence, the fraternity had no outside name. It was known to the members as "The

Three T's." The name commonly used by the other students on the campus was the "Huddlers" and the meeting place was known as "Hell's Huddle." One of the early presidents of the college, Levi Stockbridge, usually said, "T, Double T and T upside down" when he referred to the fraternity. In 1878, the name of Phi Sigma Kappa was adopted and the chapter at Massachusetts Agricultural College was known as the Pi Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. In 1888, the chapter was officially designated as the Alpha Chapter.

Along with the national expansion of the fraternity, Alpha expanded locally. Needless to say it suffered the ups and downs common to all fraternities but the early members strived constantly to secure a firm position for the chapter in the fraternal life of the school. One can well imagine the predicament of the chapter one year, when most of the active members were graduated and the incoming freshman class had a grand total of fifteen members. By a serious effort and some extravagant promises Alpha was able to pledge some of the more prominent members of this notoriously inadequate class. By 1894, however, the undergraduate members numbered thirty-two, eight from each class. Alpha was, by now, firmly established on the campus of Mass. Aggie.

The chapter house, if a suite of rooms can be called such, was now located in South College. The quarters were used only for business and social purposes as the members were required to live in college controlled dormitories. About the turn of the century, the chapter purchased some land at the southern entrance to the college. Plans were made to build a house. However due to financial diffi-



culties and some disagreement on building matters, the actual construction was postponed year after year. Finally on June 15, 1914 the great day had arrived. The cornerstone of the present Alpha house was laid with appropriate ceremonies. The house was dedicated in the spring of 1915 and was occupied before the end of the semester. The house was designed with an eye to the practical purpose of providing a home for students and not to be a showplace on the campus. At the present time, the lines of the front and sides of the house have been softened by the growth of ivy and shrubs and it serves as an attractive, dignified and comfortable home of which every member and alumnus of Alpha is justifiably proud. We will always be greatly indebted to Brother Ralph Watts for the assistance that he gave the chapter in the erection of our home.

With the advent of the First World

War, a change that seriously affected the chapter, came over the campus of Mass. Aggie. Indeed the brutal reality of war struck Alpha long before the United States entered the conflict for Robert H. Chapon, A '14 had given his life on the battlefield of Verdun in 1915 while fighting under the tri-color of France. When this country entered the war, the brothers did not hesitate to answer the call. By the spring of 1918 the chapter was completely disorganized as the majority of active members and pledges had left the campus. The brothers were forced to vacate the house for which they had waited so long and lived in for such a short time. The house was rented to the college authorities and was soon converted into a women's dormitory. During the first great war, Alpha was represented in the services of the country by one hundred men, two of whom were never to return to the Amherst campus.



ALPHA CHAPTER HOUSE



With the coming of peace and the return of the brothers to the Amherst campus, Alpha was in a sad plight. A few actives with the help of several pledges worked hard and long to build a firm foundation for the chapter to rest on once again. Their success in their endeavor is evident in the record of the chapter in campus activities during the twenties. Alpha became the leader of the fraternities on the campus for this decade. As a result of the fine work of the brothers during this period we were able to add many trophies to our collection.

As every one knows, the country reached a serious financial crisis at the end of the twenties. For a while Alpha staggered along under a great burden. Financial problems confronted the brothers year after year. For a while it was feared that the burden was becoming too great for the undergraduate members to carry and it was only by holding to a strict budget and skillful managing of the money on hand that the chapter was able to survive. However the silver lining of the cloud over our heads was finally found and along with the return of prosperity to the nation the future of Alpha became brighter.

In spite of the great strain that was on the brothers at this time they continued in their efforts to keep the chapter among the leading fraternities on the campus. Because of their work it became a general understanding on the campus that if there was a wheel around it was a fifty-fifty chance that he was a Phi Sig. But once again, the dark clouds of war were looming on the horizon and no one dared to look too far ahead into the future.

As in 1917, the undergraduates and alumni of Alpha left the pleasures and comforts of civilian life to serve in the military and naval forces of the country. At first the members left the campus slowly and under the accelerated program, new freshmen were appearing at frequent intervals so that vacant places

could be easily filled. However the manpower situation reached serious proportions in May 1943. Only seventy-five freshmen were expected to arrive in September and it was almost certain that some of the fraternities would not be represented on campus during the next rushing season. At the request of the college authorities, fraternity life came to a stand still and Alpha Chapter was forced to go inactive.

During the school year of 1943-1944 the chapter house was rented to the school and was converted into a temporary student infirmary since a Cadet Training Detachment was using the regular student infirmary. In 1944, the house was leased to the members of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority for the duration of the war. Perhaps this explains the attraction the Kappa key seems to have for the Phi Sig pin on this campus.

The first Phi Sigs returned to the campus on January of 1946. Once again the chapter was without a home for college regulations prevented the brothers from occupying the same quarters as the Kappas. The nucleus of what was to become a strong post-war chapter was forced to use the Memorial Building for their meetings for the remainder of the school year.

We moved back into our own home once again in September of 1946. We immediately began an extensive campaign that was destined to cover a pre-school period for the next three years to get the house back into good condition again. Arms were worn out from waving paint brushes and backs were broken from waxing floors but in viewing the final result the brothers felt that the labor was well worth while. This year every brother was responsible for the redecoration of his own room and we are planning to complete the interior next September. One of the first business items to be taken care of by the newly organized chapter was the ordering of a

plaque to honor the memory of the eleven men from Alpha who made the supreme sacrifice in the service of their nation.

With the increased post-war enrollment, interfraternity competition became more intensified than it ever had been before in the history of the school. We took first place in all but one phase of the competition and this gave us the undisputed right to add a new cup to our trophies. A few of these firsts were won by luck, some rested on the individual talent of some of the brothers but the majority of them were won by the wholehearted cooperation of every active member and pledge.

Now on the occasion of our seventy-fifth birthday, we of Alpha are proud of our past record and prouder still of the national brotherhood that had its humble beginning on this campus. However we feel that we cannot and should not rest on our past history. We realize that a national fraternity can only be as strong as its weakest chapter. It is our firm belief that we can serve our fraternity best by zealously guarding the cardinal principles upon which it was founded. We intend to keep looking into the future and working for the good of Phi Sigma Kappa as Barrett, Brooks, Clay, Clark, Campbell and Hague, the first men of Alpha, did in 1873.



#### ACTIVE CHAPTER MEMBERS AND PLEDGES

- First Row: F. Vigneau, S. Price, R. Gilman, H. Holden, D. Westcott, H. Ballou, P. Bresnahan, W. Tunis, S. Kerr, W. Merrill, R. Vigneau, J. Sullivan, R. Hansen, A. Toczydlowski.  
 Second Row: R. Noyes, E. Szetela, P. Roth, F. Ziwtowski, E. Rodiguez, P. Dwyer, G. Varney, W. Lucey, D. Jacques, W. Gingras, A. Hodges, H. Ladd, J. Ladd, J. Price, F. Leahy, J. Freeman, J. Walker, R. Ganley.  
 Third Row: J. Wilk, G. Kopp, S. Smith, W. Smith, J. English, R. Lacey, W. Learned, A. Holmes, W. Leidt, J. Marshall, R. Kelsey, W. Blodget, L. Evers, A. Mangum, B. Wogan, B. Shufelt, J. Dunn.

# Alpha Today

By EDWARD R. SZETELA



VERY member and pledge of Alpha Chapter feels honored and privileged to see the 75th Anniversary of our founding approach. For this event has been possible not through the efforts of just a few of the many men that have been called "Brothers of Alpha" but through the true fraternal spirit that has been the badge of every "Phi Sig" at the University of Massachusetts. Our only wish is that it were possible for those who made this chapter a reality in 1873 to be here to see the results of their endeavors.

During its 75-year history, Alpha has passed through many trying times. Still, in the end our brotherhood survived and today looks forward to the day when it can celebrate its 100th Anniversary.

To those of us who are now active members of the chapter, the present day status of the house can be attributed to the unceasing efforts and interest of those alumni and active members who kept the Phi Sig spirit alive here and elsewhere during the war period. For from May 1943 to February 1946, the chapter was inactive. With the return of several of the brothers and pledges in the spring of 1946, the groundwork was laid for the beginning of a new and better period of Phi Sigma Kappa activities at this university.

In September 1946, the chapter house was once again reoccupied by the Phi Sigs. Alpha once again resumed its position as a strong and influential factor in the student life of the University of Massachusetts. With the aid of our alumni and housing corporation, we reopened with a sound financial standing. Many needed improvements were accomplished and plans for future development were formulated.

With a rising enrollment at the university now a strong reality, the chapter from the beginning was faced with the problem of limiting its membership roll. The feeling here seems to be that the



WARREN GINGRAS

chapter cannot expand in proportion to the university expansion. We have always prided ourselves on a house without cliques. Therefore, it has become necessary to limit the number of men we can pledge. At the end of the first semester, our roll had eighty members and pledges.

The members of Alpha have always represented one of the top fraternity groups on this campus. And from 1873 to the present it has always been well represented in the activities and student government of the institution.

Brother Stephen Czarnecki very ably acted as President of the all-important Student Senate. A pre-med student, "Steve's" handling of the Senate has been



Some of Alpha's trophies and the plaque to the memory of Alpha's Gold Star brothers.

warmly endorsed by students and faculty. His conduct of the student elections this year did much to create better feeling between fraternity and non-fraternity factions. He recently completed his graduation requirements and is now instructing in the zoology department. We all know that "Steve" will be as great a success in his chosen field as he has been in the affairs of the school.

Brother Warren Gingras was recently elected to the highly responsible position of President of the senior class. Warren's interest in the conduct of student affairs has always been very great. An ardent advocate of a more influential student voice in the affairs of the university, he has been especially successful in bringing new athletic policies to the attention of the student body through his column, "Inside of Sports"—a regular feature of the student paper, the "Massachusetts Collegian." Much of the credit for the highly successful rushing program carried on by the chapter this year can be attributed to Warren's efforts. An economics major, Warren has also been a very avid follower of national



#### CHAPTER OFFICERS AND ADVISER

First Row: D. Westcott, Secretary; P. Bresnahan, President; W. Tunis, Vice-President; M. Atwood, Faculty Adviser.

Second Row: H. Holden, Inductor; S. Kerr, Sentinel; H. Ballou, Treasurer.

political developments. With his ability in organization we at Alpha expect that "W.G.'s" future career will be a definite asset to Phi Sigma Kappa.

Our president for the next year will be Brother Patrick Bresnahan. "Pat's" wise decisions and unassuming character have won him many admirers. A pre-med major, "Pat" has also served as Sentinel. His able handling of relations with the university administration, alumni, and the house corporation will aid and abet the work of his predecessors.

Recognition should also be given to the work of our president of last semester—Brother Bruce Shufelt. To him must be given credit for the very highly successful social season here at Alpha. The alumni week-end festivities saw one of the largest turnouts in the history of the house. Over three hundred guests were present at the dance held in the evening while over one hundred alumni, actives and guests attended the buffet supper. Bruce's capable handling of house affairs has resulted in a very favorable report from the Student Life Committee of the university. Many of the improvements made on the house this fall are also a result of the efforts of Brother Shufelt. Bruce will head the Alpha induction team at the installation of Lambda Triton Chapter at Rhode Island State College.

Brother James Laliberte is Alpha's other representative on the senior class officer slate. "Jim" was elected to the office of Captain. Despite his many responsibilities as night manager of the university store, he also served as Vice-President of the chapter during the first semester. "Jim" is an economics major and hails from Holyoke, Mass.

The present Vice-President is Brother William Tunis. "Bill" has been our senior representative on the Interfraternity Council. As Treasurer of that body, he has played a prominent role in the bettering of fraternity and administration relations. Undoubtedly, his ability



Alpha Chapter's Winter Carnival ice sculpture by Stratton Kerr.

as Inductor of the chapter last year has been a definite influence on the present outstanding condition of the membership.

Mention should also be made of our junior representative on the Interfraternity Council—Brother Herbert Holden. One of the most popular members of the junior class, "Herb's" ability for story telling has been hailed by many. Then, too, his talent for "shaping up the recalcitrant rookies" (especially a former member of the AUS) has earned for "Herb" the good will of all the members and pledges. Herb was elected Inductor at the recent election. His good judgment of character will enable the chapter to pledge men of the highest caliber.

Another member of the junior class, Brother Stratton Kerr, is now Sentinel. "Strat" recently showed his financial acumen in setting up a sound plan for house officer wages. His fine work on this year's sculpture for the Winter Carnival showed his artistic talent. Brother Kerr is also a student of modern art. His series of impressionistic pictures have gained the plaudits of all.

Brother Melvin Mailloux, who was initiated at the last initiation, is another Alpha representative on the class officer list. "Red" was elected Captain of the sophomore class. He was also recently nominated to run for the Senate primaries.

Brother Ralph Gilman and Brother George Kopp should be noted as the "artists" of Alpha. Ralph, a senior and a pre-dental major, has directed the Interfraternity Skits of 1947 and the Interfraternity Sing of this year. His "East

Side, West Side" dance routine with Brothers Ganley, McCarthy and Holden has also gained quite a bit of comment here at the house and is to be presented at the "Campus Varieties" next month.

Brother Kopp's abilities lie in the literary circles. George has written several

tude to two members of the graduate school. Brother Harold Quinn has been doing work in the zoology department. "Tarz" has nevertheless maintained a strong interest in the house and has been ever ready to advise the newer brothers. News of his recent acceptance to Georgetown Medical School was enthusiastically received by all the brothers.

Our other graduate brother, "Jim" Ring, is doing research in the forestry school. "Ring-Ding" too has been most cooperative in "snapping the whip" in regards to parliamentary procedure at meetings, ritual and esoteric work. He served as Vice-President prior to the war.

Your correspondent is a member of the senior class. He has served as Secretary of the chapter and recently ended a trying year as Steward of the house. At present he is doing Honors Work in the department of history and will continue his studies at graduate school next year.

#### *Pledges\**

The Alpha Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa in the fall of 1947 witnessed the pledging of a group of fellows who soon proved to be outstanding in campus activities and freshman sports.

Of the nineteen pledges received by Alpha, many were responsible for the spirited drive of the undefeated freshman football squad. The brunt of the back-field attack was carried by the speedy and shifty Don Costello assisted by right end Phil "Rocky" Roth, both of whom were recently discharged from the Marine Corps. Other pledge brothers of this championship team included Al Hodgess, well-built offensive lineman, and Jim Turco, former high school star of Walpole, Mass.

The freshman soccer team, through the efforts of Ken Cutting, star center forward, assisted by Bruce Wogan, an inside man, and Al Marullion on the right



RALPH GILMAN

articles for magazines (all rejected to date) and is now working on a full-length novel. His scholastic ability is of the highest type. Undoubtedly, Brother Kopp, after his graduate work at Harvard, will take his place with the country's leading writers.

Another luminary of the sophomore class is Brother John Ladd. John's claim to fame lies in his great interest in geology. John is to make a detailed study of the Mt. Holyoke range this spring. And to further his knowledge of geological formations, John is scheduled to climb the Matterhorn in Switzerland this summer. John is considering our proposal to plant the fraternity flag on the summit of that famous mountain.

We should like to express our grati-

\* By Pledges Kenneth A. Cutting and Donald C. Jacques.

wing, shows promise of good material for future varsity teams. Following in the footsteps of past Phi Sig swimming stars, Don Jacques is swimming the 50 yd. and the 100 yd. freestyle along with Johnny Scott, while Bob Anderson is taking over the backstroke position.

Ed McCauley and "Big" Ed White, both hailing from North Quincy where they played varsity ball, are now first string forward and center respectively of the victorious freshman basketball team.

Viewing the pledges from an academic standpoint, Alpha has much promise for future scholastic awards. In the school of engineering are enrolled Andy Mangum, Al Marulli, Al Trombla, Bob Anderson, and Don Jacques. Other pledges show wide diversity of interests in different majors such as business, history, physical education, and sciences.

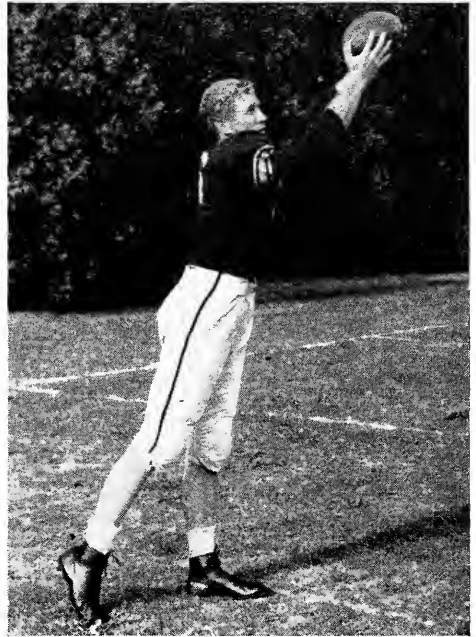
In extra-curricular activities about the U. of M. campus, many have already shown their ability in various ways. The nominations for freshman class offices were overflowed with candidates from Alpha Chapter. Presidential nominees included "Mac" Payne and Ken Cutting; a nominee for Treasurer's office, Don Jacques; Phil Roth for Sergeant-at-Arms and Bruce Wogan for Captain of the freshman class. Candidates for Maroon Key, a sophomore men's organization, include Ken Cutting, Malcolm Payne, and Don Costello. The interclass plays, presented during Carnival Week, were highlighted by the sarcastic remarks of Al Marulli. The first DeMolay Club in Massachusetts colleges was organized this year at the U. of M. Members from Alpha include Don Jacques, Ken Cutting, and Phil Hammond.

Unquestionably all the pledges have participated in making a more enjoyable fraternity life at Alpha. Not only have they contributed in such things as interfraternity basketball and the Interfraterning Sing, but also in social activities.

## Alpha Sports



LEADERSHIP and participation in athletics have become a tradition with the Alpha Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. From the first week in September until commencement in June the Alpha brothers answer the call for all sports



BERNIE STEAD

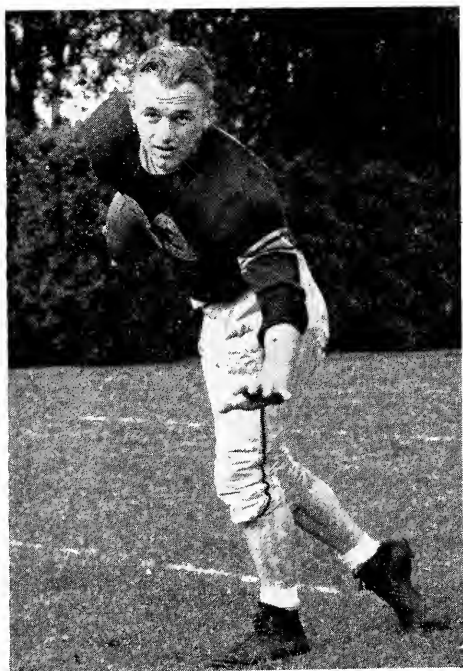
on the University of Massachusetts campus. First of all, let's take a look at the fall sports.

On the gridiron, Bernie Stead was in the spotlight for the Redmen with his sensational offensive and defensive play. His consistent blocks and tackles rated him as one of the best all-around ends in small college football last year. In the backfield, the clever running of Dave Jackson kept Massachusetts near the opponents' goal all fall.

Phi Sig pledges were an integral cog in the frosh football team. Captained



by Phil Roth, standout end, the freshmen breezed through all opposition and were acclaimed by the *Collegian* as the best frosh football team in New England. Pledge Don Costello was the number-one ground gainer for the yearlings with Jim Turco as his understudy. All of these football players helped register



DAVE JACKSON

many victories for the Massachusetts pig-skin aggregation.

The Redmen soccer was easily one-third Phi Sigs. Captain Joe Magri, dependable fullback, was picked for the all-north team. His excellent ability in defense was vitally important according to Coach Larry Briggs. Captain-elect Fred Richardson was one of the trickiest halfbacks in New England competition. The mainstay in the forward line was Steve Czarnecki who was terrific in the traditional game against Amherst. These three top-notch soccer players were capably aided by Brothers Don Westcott,



JOE MAGRI

Warren Gingras, John Ladd, and Sheldon Smith who were all lettermen.

Phi Sig's lone representative on the basketball team was Fred Richardson, an up-and-down player for the varsity all season. From the freshman ranks, Big Ed White and Ed McCauley teamed up



PHIL ROTH





FRED RICHARDSON

beautifully together. In interfraternity basketball, the following brothers made up the quintet: Mac Paine, Sam Price, and Sheldon Smith at forwards, Jim Marshall at center, and Paul Piusz, Don Costello, and Don Westcott at guards.

Ski events added much to the winter



BRUCE SHUFELT

carnival with Walt Maisner, Al Tocykowski, and Warren Blodgett all winners in the different down-hill competition.

Sam Price, captain of this year's baseball nine, has been mapping out plans



STEVE CZARNECKI



SAM PRICE

all winter for the coming season. His thorough knowledge of the game will surely help win the varsity many games this spring. Bruce Shufelt has been working out at the cage a great deal

lately in preparation for his regular position as catcher.

Thus, one can see that the Alpha brothers are really out for all sports on the University of Massachusetts campus.

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UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS  
AMHERST

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

February 15, 1948

Gentlemen in Phi Sigma Kappa:

The University of Massachusetts is proud that one of the great national fraternities should have been founded on its campus. It is also proud of the parent chapter and its long record of co-operative service to the institution. Therefore on the occasion of the seventy-fifth anniversary of your founding we extend to you congratulations and best wishes, and trust that the pilgrimage to the shrine at North College next August will prove a memorable occasion.

Sincerely,



R. A. Van Meter  
Acting President

# *The University of Massachusetts*

By WILLIAM D. TUNIS, '49



OUR nation's "youngest university" was born more than 80 years ago in Amherst. It has yawned, stretched, gulped and grown up in the bright air of New England's Connecticut River Valley.

In May 1947 the state legislature gave university status to the Massachusetts State College and changed its name to the University of Massachusetts. Founded under the provisions of the Morrill Act in 1863, this school in Amherst was the first land-grant college in New England. Curiously enough, it had two presidents before it had any students. Now it has more than 4,000 students, and its administration is ably headed by Acting President Ralph Van Meter.

When the school admitted its first stu-

dents on October 2, 1867, the campus consisted of four wooden buildings. Today the campus covers more than 800 acres and the replacement value of its buildings and land is established at \$15,000,000. From an initial start with four teachers the university now has 333 faculty members, and will add 50 more by next September. In addition, the university has a large research and extension staff.

Originally the university was named the Massachusetts Agriculture College. As an agricultural college the school did an outstanding job, nationally and internationally and it continues to provide a first-rate educational program. Two hundred and fifty-five students are majors in the School of Agriculture, and the institution provides many important services to the rural people of Massachusetts.

Because of the expansion in the cur-



MEMORIAL HALL

riculum the name of the school was changed to Massachusetts State College in 1931. During the past fifteen years more than \$2,000,000 has been spent for new buildings, and at the moment approximately double this amount is being invested in expansion of the institution.

The Graduate School has been organized as a separate school since 1908, and the Undergraduate College consists of schools of liberal arts and sciences, agriculture and horticulture, home economics and engineering. Approximately 1,700 students are attending a temporary branch of the university at Fort Devens, Massachusetts. These students transfer to the permanent campus at Amherst after completing four semesters of work.

Last year the student body played an active role in urging the legislature to vote university status for the school, and Brother Michael Donahue, Alpha '47, was chairman of the University of Massachusetts student committee.

Alpha Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa has yawned, stretched and grown up with the university.

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### RAND RETIRES AS DRAMA COACH

Brother Frank Rand, Chi '12, retired recently from active coaching of the Roister Doisters, dramatic society of the University of Massachusetts. He will continue to head the English Department. Brother Rand became the dramatic coach twenty-seven years ago, and the fifty productions staged under his direction included five plays of his authorship. He has the happy faculty of inspiring even the most meagerly-talented of youngsters and frequently adapted the plays selected to the available players. He often showed real inspiration, as in the year when a smart colleen turned up as the star and he caused her to shine like an emerald in Peg O' My Heart. In his



FRANK PRENTICE RAND

production of Macbeth, he employed Kid Gore's football squad in the terrific battle scene at Dunsinane.

A former student writes: "An appreciation of Mr. Rand must cover his painstaking attention to detail, the long nights of study that he gave to preparing his plays, the weeks of rehearsals, the work of training his stage crews and of serving as make-up artist for the troupe, the inspiration that only a perfectionist could give to his players, and the influence that his efforts at the University had in extending the drama to the towns where Alumni carried his well-taught lessons into practice. Thirty college classes salute you, Frank Prentice Rand, for the marvelous job that you have done, and our gratitude will not end with this day."

Brother Rand served as national secretary from 1918-1922, and as a member of the Court of Honor from 1922-1924. He was editor of *The SIGNET* from 1914-1929. The history of Phi Sigma Kappa for the years 1873-1923 was ably recorded by Brother Rand.



# Moonlight Girl Candidates



One



Fourteen



Eighteen

*The*

*Inside*

*Dope*

After feasting your eyes on this array of beauty which comprises the semi-finalist group of our Moonlight Girl Contest, it's a sure thing that you are bubbling over with questions. Of course, everything is still a big secret, but if you'll promise not to breathe a word of it, we'll whisper a little in your ear. . . . Where do all these "purty" gals come from? Well, I'll tell you, there's one from the West, two from the East, two from the South, and one from the Middlewest. We're very fair about this thing, you know . . . Did all the big chapters push their girls in? No, you're wrong, brother. Four of the winners were from chapters having less than 60 ballots. Three of these received more than 50 per cent of their votes from other chapters. It's also interesting to note that new chapters as well as older chapters are represented by this group of winners . . . What are their telephone numbers? Well, you'll have to get that information from another department (*I should tell you?* I'm not really the "inside *dope*," you know) . . . Which girl is going to take that trip to the Boston Convention in August? That's for you to decide.

Ballots will be mailed to each of the chapters, each undergraduate member and pledge being entitled to one vote. Ballots for the alumni who are eligible

# *Moonlight Girl Candidates*

to vote will be enclosed with their copy of *The SIGNET*. Alumni eligible to vote are national officers (see directory of officers page), chapter advisers, endowment donors, paid-up life members, and alumni dues payers. If you are an alumnus falling in any of the above categories and did not receive a ballot with your copy of *The SIGNET*, please write the National Headquarters for one at once. All alumni eligible to vote are urged to do so because it is the aim of *The SIGNET* that the girl selected as the Phi Sig Moonlight girl be the popular choice of the fraternity, undergraduates and alumni included.

To select your favorite from this gallery of glamour and cast your vote for her, though a difficult task, should be a real pleasure. You do not have to listen to campaign speeches over the radio, read party platforms, weigh domestic and international problems, you do not have to rush to the polls at 6 a.m. to get your vote in before going to work or class, and you are not the victim of deals or coalitions. Our Moonlight Girl finalists are the choices of Phi Sig and the only regret that the brothers have had is that there could not be twenty-six semi-finalists and that there cannot be twenty-six finalists because each one of the young ladies whose picture was published in the January 1948 *SIGNET* would make a lovely Phi Sig Moonlight Girl.

So, brother, just take your *SIGNET* to your favorite chair, open it again to these pages, look over our lovely candidates, meditate carefully, fill in your ballot, prepare it for mailing to the National Headquarters, and relax, for your blood pressure must be plenty high by now.

And to each of the girls go our best wishes for success.



*Two*



*Sixteen*



*Twenty-four*





# Convention Program

(TENTATIVE)

On Wednesday morning, August 11, 1948, our seventy-fifth year, Phi Sigs from far and near, their wives and sweethearts will assemble at the Somerset Hotel in Boston to open the Diamond Jubilee Convention of Phi Sigma Kappa. It will be the greatest convention ever held by our fraternity. No Phi Sig who can possibly be there can afford to miss it. Conventions come and conventions go, but this one you will remember always; historically it marks a significant anniversary in our progress, and it is the first convention of our fraternity to be held since World War II. What a renewal of friendships will take place that first morning! The deans of our fraternity, those revered elder statesmen, who have never missed a convention will be there, the brothers, undergraduates and alumni alike, who had the mighty task of keeping this fraternity together (not a single chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa was lost during the war) will be there, many of whom will be eager to renew acquaintances with their pals of former conventions; there has been a long convention drought, none having been held since 1942. Registration is scheduled for the hours of eight-thirty to eleven; it is going to take cool heads to get a registration amid such hilarity and profusion

of greetings. The officers hope to be able to sufficiently have coped with the excitement to enable our national president, Herbert L. Brown to swing the opening gavel at eleven o'clock.

## *Officers Reports to be printed*

This will be our fourth Boston convention, the others having been held there in 1910, 1930, and 1940. We have always behaved ourselves — thus we are told we are going to be officially welcomed.

We will miss our beloved Chaplain, Dr. Stewart W. Herman, who has for years given the invocation. He will be ably succeeded by his son, Dr. Stewart W. Herman, Jr.

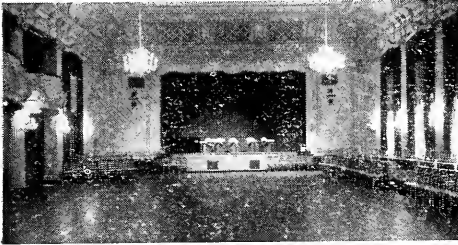
This will be followed by the address of our national president, Herbert L. Brown, our capable leader, whose messages are always both informative and inspirational. The afternoon session scheduled for one-thirty will be devoted to officers' reports which from the speaking angle will be brief (printed reports will be distributed) and to further avoid the danger of monotony, of which there is to be none in this convention, the official photograph has been scheduled for three o'clock.

## *Gals for All at Moonlight Girl Dance*

And in the meantime, Mrs. Sally Pfeiffer, wife of Brother John Pfeiffer, Nu '22, will be putting the last-minute touches to



her carefully calculated plans of assembling all the eligible feminine pulchritude of Boston and environs as dates for the undergraduate brothers (and our bachelor alumni, if you please) for the Moonlight Girl Dinner-Dance. The experts at bridge, pinochle, and poker better begin



LOUIS XIV ROOM

practicing on hearts because from what the writer heard (there are all sorts of rumors flying) the brothers are going to draw cards at the afternoon session for their Moonlight Girl Dance dates.

From seven o'clock that evening our entire convention party will take over the beautiful Louis XIV ballroom of the Somerset Hotel. The hotel has agreed to do its best to obtain turkey and all the trimmings for this gala occasion. Thus, to the strains of beautiful dinner music, a wonderful dinner in the company of those gorgeous Massachusetts beauties and the best young manhood that American colleges can produce will be launched the social program of our great convention, a party that is truly fitting for the crowning of our honored guest acclaimed by our chapters and alumni as our Queen of Glamour, our Moonlight Girl. That party is a "must."

#### *Pilgrimage to Amherst*

Our prudent convention committee knew better than to plan business for the day following such a festive evening. It scheduled a combination sight-seeing trip and pilgrimage to Amherst for departure from the hotel at nine o'clock in the morning of August 12. Stops will be made at Lexington and Concord and

luncheon will be served in Amherst at one-thirty. The visit to the Shrine is planned for three o'clock. There, before the Shrine, will be held the memorial service to the memory of our gold-star brothers; there we will convene to honor the memory of our founders on this, our 75th Anniversary. The buses are to leave Amherst at four-thirty and proceed to Boston over another scenically beautiful route, visiting Ayer and stopping at a roadside inn for a delicious dinner.

#### *Conclaves on Friday*

On Friday morning the Conclaves will convene at nine o'clock to discuss their local problems, and in the afternoon the convention will convene for its second business session. The ladies can busy



BALINESE ROOM

themselves with a morning shopping tour and luncheon at Filene's, Boston's leading department store and in the afternoon they can, if they will be real secretive about it, take in a ball game (you know the Red Sox are slated to be next year's world champions; there will be trouble with attendance at this business session if the ladies disclose this part of their program). For those ladies who do not like to shop (can you imagine that?) or do not like baseball, an interesting trip can be taken to the First Church of Christ, Scientist, and the publishing house of the Christian Science Monitor, or the Museum of Fine Arts. In the evening there will be an exemplification of the ritual for the brothers while the ladies are being entertained at a bridge and bunco party in the Balinese Room.

Beautiful prizes, both for bridge and bunco have already been purchased by the committee. Refreshments will be served to make the party complete.

#### *Round Table Conferences*

##### *Saturday Morning*

Saturday morning, August 14 will be devoted to an advisers' round table conference and an undergraduate round table conference, each group meeting independently. In the afternoon the convention will convene in its third and last business session. The ladies can busy themselves with a metropolitan sight-seeing trip, which would include a visit to such historically important places as the Old State House, Kings Chapel and Burying Ground, Benjamin Franklin's birthplace, site of the Boston Massacre, Paul Revere House, Scene of the Boston Tea Party, Old North Church, Old South Meeting House, Faneuill Hall, "Old Ironsides," and Bunker Hill Monument. There is also the legitimate theatre; many stage shows open in Boston. An automobile trip along the shore will prove interesting. There is so much for you ladies to do that I think you will have trouble finding time for any beauty parlor appointments.

##### *Banquet Saturday*

This historically important and festive convention will be concluded by the greatest of all convention banquets, to be held in the Louis XIV Ballroom of the Somerset on Saturday evening. As in the past, the ladies of the convention are privileged to attend the banquet. Arrangements for an outstanding and interesting speaker are being made, a song leader has been appointed. The occasion will indeed be one of much merriment, and for each brother and lady attending there will be a beautiful and interesting favor, a permanent reminder of this significant occasion and good time.

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#### **CITY EDITOR**

Ferdinand Mendenhall, Nu Deuteron '29, is now city editor for the "Van Nuys News," established by his father 28 years ago.

Brother Mendenhall, a Lieutenant Commander during World War II, was released for inactive duty in May, 1946. Last September he received a Navy Citation for service in the Naval Reserve in directing the highest recruiting attainment in his area; this citation was personally signed by James Forrestal.

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#### **MU DEUTERON FIRST IN SCHOLARSHIP**

Mu Deuteron won first place among campus fraternities in scholarship rating at the University of Montana. The actives readily admit that this high scholastic attainment is largely the result of their pledge group.

The actives honored the pledges for their contribution to this achievement by entertaining them at a coffee and doughnut party on Saturday morning, February 14, at which party the actives took over and performed all the Saturday duties of the pledges. What a cleaning the house got that Saturday morning!

On Saturday evening the pledges and Missoula alumni were the honored guests at a buffet supper dance held at the chapter house.

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#### **PRESENTS BOOK TO CHAPTER**

Brother Manuel Font, Omicron '13 presented the chapter with a copy of his newly published book, "Estampas," an autobiographical work written and published in Puerto Rico.

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**Roy A. Nord**, Delta Deuteron '16, is once more practicing law. For the past four years Brother Nord had been Director of Taxation and Licensing for the State of South Dakota and for several years before that he was States Attorney at Faulks, South Dakota.

# Campbell Arranges Special Baltimore And Ohio Tour to Convention

Brother George Campbell, Alpha '20, Vice-President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad has arranged a very attractive pre-convention, all-expense tour for delegates and members from the West and South, which will include two nights in Washington, D. C. and two nights in New York City, and is scheduled to arrive in Boston the afternoon of August 10 in ample time for the opening session of the convention the following day.

The Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Chicago is cooperating with the B & O in this program with its plans for a sight-seeing trip and dinner in Chicago for the delegates passing through Chicago on August 5.

Following the Chicago Club dinner, the tour party will leave Chicago on the Baltimore and Ohio's diesel-powered SHENANDOAH. On Friday morning the delegates will see the great steel producing area of Pittsburgh and during the day travel through the Allegheny Mountains and along the Potomac River to Washington, where the SHENANDOAH will arrive at 4:30 p.m. In addition to this magnificent scenery, the party will enjoy the superb breakfast and luncheon in the beautiful dining car of the SHENANDOAH. After the transfer to the hotel and dinner in the hotel dining room, the party will leave on a two-hour sight-seeing tour at eight o'clock, which tour will include a stop at the Lincoln Memorial, always a beautiful sight but particularly so at night.

After breakfast on Saturday the party will take another sight-seeing tour, including stops at Washington Monument, Pan-American Building, Smithsonian Institute, and the White House, and after luncheon at the hotel the party will visit the Jefferson Memorial, National Art Gallery, Capitol Building, Supreme

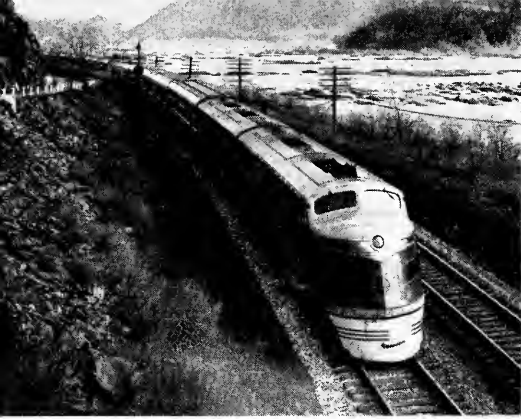
Court, and Library of Congress. Dinner will be provided in the hotel dining room and the evening is left open for individual sight-seeing.

After breakfast Sunday morning, August 8th, the party will take another sight-seeing tour to Arlington Cemetery, Alexandria, and Mt. Vernon. Luncheon will be served at the George Mason Hotel in Alexandria, from where the party will go directly to the Union Station in Washington for departure at 3:45 p.m. on the ROYAL BLUE. Dinner will be had in the diner. The tour will arrive in New York in the early evening, which evening is open for individual sight-seeing.

Members who do not join the tour party in Chicago may do so in Washington on Friday evening or Saturday morning.

Monday morning will be devoted to a sight-seeing tour of Upper and Lower Manhattan. The afternoon will be open, and in the evening the party will visit one of New York's famous night clubs. Tuesday morning, August 10 is also open, the tour party being scheduled to leave Grand Central Station on Tuesday at 1 p.m. on the NEW HAVEN RAILROAD'S YANKEE CLIPPER, which will arrive in Boston at 5:30 p.m.

The cost of the tour from Chicago is \$51.21, and includes all necessary expenses such as the lower berth from Chicago to Washington, hotel accommodations in Washington and New York City which will provide two persons to a room with bath, all sight-seeing tours above-mentioned, guide and admission fees, all meals and tips for meals taken on the SHENANDOAH, ROYAL BLUE, and YANKEE CLIPPER, as well as the dinner in the hotel dining room on August 6, breakfast and luncheon in the hotel dining room on



Baltimore and Ohio Modern Diesel Electric Streamliner en route in the picturesque Potomac River Valley.

August 7, breakfast and luncheon in the hotel dining room on August 8, and the cocktails and dinner in the New York night club visited by the tour party. The rate quoted for this tour is based on rates prevailing as of November 1, 1947, and due to possible changes in costs the tour rate quoted is subject to slight adjustments.

To avail himself of this most interesting and economical pre-convention tour arranged by Brother Campbell, each person should purchase his round-trip railroad ticket from his home town agent routed as follows: select whatever route he chooses from his home town to Chicago or to Washington, if he joins the party there; the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Chicago or Washington to New York City, New York, New Haven and Hartford from New York to Boston, and return to his home town from Boston over whatever route he desires. Each individual taking advantages of this tour should also secure his selection of pullman accommodations from his home town to Chicago or Washington, and select his pullman space from Boston to his home city. The travel from Washington to New York and from New York to Boston will be by reclining seat coaches in the very modern, comfortable coaches respectively of the ROYAL BLUE and YANKEE CLIPPER.

The National Fraternity hopes that

many delegates, advisers, and other alumni and their families will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity provided by Brother Campbell. We know that many of you will soon be making plans to attend the convention, and if you wish to include this tour as part of your plan, please address a communication to Earl F. Schoening, Secretary-Treasurer, Phi Sigma Kappa, 10 South La Salle Street, Chicago 3, Illinois stating the number of people in your party, the pullman and hotel accommodations desired and whether you will join the party in Chicago or Washington. The National Fraternity, which is not responsible for the service provided at the price quoted, will in turn advise the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company.

## TAU CHRISTMAS PARTY

Every fraternity house on the Hanover campus contributed in some way to the community's holiday spirit. When all local children interested were scheduled for entertainment by one fraternity or another, those remaining houses sent out food baskets to needy families. Mrs. Joe Poole and Roy Jerman and his wife helped with the arrangements while Bob Hunt's committee set the house up for the attack of thirty-six lively children from the Norwich Grammar School. The kids scoured the house for non-existing "prizes" and their attention was diverted by the arrival of old Nick himself, alias Ross Dunbar.

Santa was surrounded and it was with difficulty that he distributed his gifts. When all the presents had been opened, bedlam broke loose and Santa nearly lost his whiskers, not to mention other parts of his attire, to the larger boys in the group. He finally escaped to the roof, with one or two doubting Thomases hot in pursuit. This is one Christmas party that will live long in the memories of the brothers.

# When and Where You Can Celebrate Founders' Day

## Alpha

March 15th, 3:00 p.m.

Chapter House

Visit to the Shrine

Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Speaker—Herbert L. Brown,  
National President

## Gamma

March 13th, 4:00 p.m.

Dedication Service, Gamma Memorial  
to memory of Gold-Star Brothers

Banquet 6:00 p.m. Chapter House

Speaker—George J. Vogel, National  
President 1904-1912

## Zeta

March 15th

Chapter House

Party

Speaker—Professor T. J. Pennington

## Eta

March 14th, 2:00 p.m.

Chapter House

Initiation

Banquet 6:00 p.m.

Speaker—Cliff Evans

## Lambda

March 14th

St. Paul's Methodist Church

Chapter House

Cocktail Dance and Buffet Supper

## Alpha Deuteron

(See Beta Triton)

## Beta Deuteron

Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Minneapolis

May 14th, 7:00 p.m.

Covered Wagon

Speaker—D. R. Collins,  
Director, Region Four

## Delta Deuteron

Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Detroit

March 13th

Statler Hotel

Speaker—D. R. Collins,  
Director, Region Four

## Theta Deuteron

March 15th, 6:00 p.m.

Chapter House

Speaker—Samuel H. Graf

## Pi Deuteron

March 14th, 6:00 p.m.

Beechwood Tavern

Speaker—D. R. Collins,  
Director, Region Four

## Rho Deuteron

March 13th, 2:00 p.m.

Lutheran Theological Seminary

Stewart W. Herman Memorial Ser-  
vice

Softball game 3:30 p.m.

Alumni Ancestors vs. Active All-  
Stars

Chapter House 5:00 p.m.

Alumni Association Meeting

Hotel Gettysburg 6:00 p.m.

Speakers—Don A. Hamilton, Na-  
tional President 1934-1936  
Dr. Norman Richardson,  
Chi Phi, Head of Depart-  
ment of Philosophy, Get-  
tysburg College

## Phi Deuteron

March 13th, 6:30 p.m.

Lafayette Hotel

Formal Dinner-Dance

Speaker—Herbert L. Brown,  
National President

## Chi Deuteron

March 6th, 6:30 p.m.

The "Commons," Washington State  
Campus

Formal Banquet and Ball

Speaker—Bruce C. Bean,  
Director, Region Six

## Beta Triton

Alpha Deuteron

Delta Triton

March 13th, 6:30 p.m.



Hotel Custer, Galesburg, Illinois

Joint Banquet

Speaker—Ralph J. Watts,  
Director at Large and  
Historian

#### Delta Triton

(See Beta Triton)

#### Eta Triton

#### Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Akron

March 15th, 7:30 p.m.

Semler's Tavern

Speaker—Arthur W. Doyle,  
State Supreme Court  
Judge

#### Theta Triton

March 13th

Chapter House  
Round-Up

#### Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Chicago

March 12th, 6:00 p.m.

Swedish Engineers Society  
503 West Wrightwood, Chicago  
Speaker—Herbert L. Brown,  
National President

<sup>y</sup> **Fayette Brown**, Gamma '20, is the General Manager and Secretary for the Mineral Mining Company in Iron River, Michigan.

**Professor John E. Perry** has become an Honorary Member of Gamma Chapter. For many years he has been the adviser for the undergraduates at Cornell University, and for the past seven years, Treasurer for the Alumni Association.

**Frank Waterhouse**, Gamma '24, is now Claims Manager of the Detroit Claim Division of the New Amsterdam Casualty Company.



SCIENCE HALL, HARTWICK COLLEGE

# Expansion Committee Acts Favorably On Alpha Delta Omega Petition

The expansion committee of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa voted favorably upon the petition of the members of Alpha Delta Omega Fraternity of Hartwick College, Oneonta, New York, for a charter. The induction is set for April 10th.

Alpha Delta Omega was organized in 1933 and is the oldest fraternity at Hartwick College. It includes in its undergraduate personnel the Editor of *Hilltop*, the college paper, the Sports Editor of *Hilltop*, the Business Manager of *Hilltop*, the Football Manager, the Basketball Manager, President of the A Cappella Choir, President of the Varsity H Club, and several men on each of the football, basketball, and baseball teams. Another member is Coach and Captain of the golf team, while still another is Athletic Publicity Director. Other members ably represent the group in the Debating Society and other campus organizations.

The other fraternities at Hartwick are Alpha Sigma Phi, national, and Alpha Kappa Epsilon and Theta Chi Rho, local. The sororities at Hartwick are all local and are: Gamma Phi Delta, Phi Sigma Phi, and Sigma Delta Mu.

Other national fraternities are interested in Hartwick, at least one of which may soon become established there. By ruling of the administrative council, the membership of each fraternity is limited to fifty members, but it is urged that thirty members be considered a normal fraternity group. None of the fraternities own a house.

Hartwick College is an outgrowth of Hartwick Seminary, established in 1797 under the provisions of the will of the Rev. George Christopher Hartwick, a missionary pastor of the Lutheran

Church, and is the third oldest institution of higher learning in New York State. Hartwick is in part supported by the New York Synod of the United Lutheran Church. However, it has students of all faiths enrolled. Hartwick College is on the list of approved and registered standard colleges of the State of New York and is also a member of the Association of American Colleges.

Phi Sigma Kappa is looking forward to a strong chapter at Hartwick. This belief is fortified by its experience at Gettysburg College, for years supported by the United Lutheran Church. Phi Sigma Kappa established its Rho Deuteron Chapter at Gettysburg in 1925, and no higher state of perfection could be achieved by national college social fraternities were each fraternity chapter of the standard of Rho Deuteron of Phi Sigma Kappa.

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## WHITE HONORED AT CONVENTION

During the fortieth annual convention of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers recently held in Detroit, Michigan, the "Detroit News" had the following to say concerning Dr. Alfred Holmes White, Delta Deuteron '93.

"These men are paying sincere and humble tribute to the man who was one of the pioneer educators in chemical engineering and who deserves much of the credit for bringing it to its present development. This convention is honored by the presence of the man so largely responsible for the high development of their profession."

Dr. White retired four years ago with the status of emeritus professor after 34 years as professor of chemical engineering at the University of Michigan.

# The Fright of the Flivver Flyers

By CLIFFORD V. EVANS, JR., *Epsilon Triton '43*

If you study a map of the world very carefully, you will notice that it is possible to fly around the globe with no flight of longer than six hundred miles. This postulates, of course, that Uncle Joe allows you to land in his territory.



Left to right: Cliff V. Evans, Jr. and George W. Truman pictured before take-off.

We counted on no such concession on his part, so we had to put a hundred extra gallons in our Piper Cub Super Cruisers. The Pacific stretches seventeen hundred miles from northern Japan to the tip of the Aleutian chain.

It is our hope that sometime in the future personal planes will be designed with enough safety features and enough range so that an intercontinental trip will be merely a matter of hopping into a plane with the necessary maps, taxiing to the end of the runway, and opening the throttle. That time, however, has not arrived today. George and I planned, calculated, plotted, and wangled for almost a year before we took off on our around the world flight on August 9, 1947.

We were both instructors at a small airport near Washington, D. C. when we were struck with the idea. A group of

us were sitting around the operations office, hangar flying, and trying to hide when students showed up. It was hot and we didn't have much to talk or think about. A new Piper Super Cruiser landed and taxied to the parking area. After the usual curious inspections by all of us, a wild-brained kid from North Carolina said, "If you could load enough gas into the back seat of that thing you could fly it around the world."

There was much laughter and merriment. Only George Truman and I thought it sounded plausible.

The tower called to us as we sat in our tiny planes, sweltering. "Six-five-mike and seven-one-mike" — that was we — "you are cleared to fly five hundred feet over the top. Check at —" his voice droned on and I wrote the clearance on my knee pad. We were at Teterboro Airport, N. J., at last ready for the initial take off. The last toggle switch had been installed less than twelve hours before. All was in readiness.

"You ready, George?" I called to him over the intercom frequency.

"Let's go," he returned calmly. I wished I felt as calm as he sounded.

We saw the *bon voyage* committee as our planes left the ground. It consisted of our wives, and for the most part newspaper reporters, newsreel men and photographers who never expected to see us again.

We had cleared for Goose Bay, Labrador, a distance of 1100 miles. We had enough gas and enough daylight left to make it. We landed in Presque Isle, Maine. The weather forecast for the trip had been one of the worst that we encountered. We had instrument conditions almost all the way.

We tried to argue the operations clerk



into forgetting the landing fee at the Army Air Field. He told us that we may have had permission to use Air Forces facilities but we didn't have authority to use them gratis. He quoted regulations to us until we agreed to pay the twenty cents apiece just to shut him up.

The flight to Labrador was uneventful. I liked that. I always have liked uneventful flights. I wish more of our hops around the world had been less exciting. The story would be duller but at least my ulcers wouldn't be ulcerated.

When we had screwed our courage beyond the sticking point we took off for our first leg of the North Atlantic crossing. Our first mistake was starting on the flight in the first place but our second mistake was less pardonable. We took off from Goose Bay too late in the day. According to the forecast winds, about twenty miles an hour from the southwest, we should have been able to complete that flight in less than six and a half hours. At the end of seven hours, with darkness starting to fill up the corners of the cockpit, we still hadn't sighted the ragged peaks of Greenland.

The field at Bluie West One, Greenland, is not the sort of place that a safe pilot would choose for a night training flight. It lies sixty miles from the shoreline, up a twisting treacherous fjord. The walls of this canyon rise sheer out of the black water a mile or more, and the widest portion is less than three miles from shore to shore.

After seven and a half hours of continuous over-water flying we finally sighted the black outcroppings of these mountains. The Arctic night, falling slowly, was almost on us and we had better than a hundred miles more to go.

We flew over the tiny islands at the mouth of the fjord in complete darkness. I called to the radio station there, requesting that the field lights be turned on at B.W.-1. No answer. We went on in silence, finally rounding the final turn

that brought the airport into sight. We didn't care that they had no field lighting. We didn't care that there was a tricky cross-wind blowing. We didn't even care whether there was anyone there or not. It was a place to land, and we had crossed the first portion of the Atlantic.

Our exultation was abortive. The next day we both came down with the flu. That resulted in a six day stretch in the station hospital during which we missed the best weather for our next flight. We waited six more days before we were told that the conditions were what they called good.

Iceland bound, we skirted the coast of Greenland to avoid crossing the uncharted icecap, and climbed over the clouds still heading northeast.

There is a radio range at Keflavik field, Iceland. And it is a very good range. If it weren't, we'd both probably be still floating around in our tiny life rafts, shivering in the Arctic cold. We slid past the southern edge of that island, just a few miles away from the shoreline invisible in a fog. The radio brought us in. A half an hour later the field was closed with the clouds kissing the asphalt of the runways.

Two days later we took off for Scotland, Prestwick field, and landed in Ireland. Oh well, I had always wanted to see Ireland. And a kind Wing Commander, late with the RAF, told us that London was 'right ovah theah. You cawn't miss it.' I assured him proudly that we not only could but probably would. We had missed practically every destination up to there and I could see no reason why Croydon Field should be any exception.

We didn't miss it, however, and the reception made us both feel that the whole trip was worthwhile. Two reporters, accidentally on the spot, covered our landing. And the chap who handles the customs red-tape in the administrative building had a cheerful word for us when we

told him why we were there. We explained that we were trying to circumnavigate the globe in two Piper Cubs. He opened his mouth, his eyes remaining expressionless and said, "Oh." Our hearts were warmed by this display of awe.

We hung around England long enough to eliminate the soreness from our cramped muscles, then took off on a joyride tour of Europe. We visited briefly, too briefly, Brussels, The Hague, Paris, and Marseilles.

All stories to the contrary, we spent only two nights and one day in Paris. It is a gay spot but we were in no position to appreciate its gayity. We used our entire time there trying to figure some way that we could spend three nights and only one day at that bright city. Finding that it was impossible we took off, frustrated, for Marseilles.

The trip from southern France to Rome was beautiful, the Mediterranean was as blue as copper sulphate and the air was as smooth as a freshman's cheek. We coasted into the airport a good thirty minutes ahead of the nearest thunderstorm and started immediately to plan our next flight.

We had two choices. We could hop over to the coast of North Africa or go direct to Cairo, possibly landing in Greece. We elected to try the thirteen hundred and sixty-three miles to Cairo. We had wasted so much time that we felt we should be pushing on as quickly as possible. Our luck was beginning to change by then, for we made the trip without more than a few pints of perspiration being lost. We hit our ETA — Estimated Time of Arrival — within four minutes. George said this was just an accident and I shouldn't worry about it.

Bagdad was next on the list. We spent one Arabian Night there. I now have a deep feeling of pity for that poor man who was forced to spend a thousand and one of them in that city.

The American consul at Bagdad convinced us that our next stop should be Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, instead of Bahrein Island. The latter is a British base and the former is American run. We were told that the thousand or so Americans at that oil capital would be quite pleased to see us. Perhaps they were, but the Arabs apparently were not.

They kept us there for six days while all the petty officials tried to untangle the red tape that our landing had wound around them. There was, it was true, provision in their book for the disposition of passengers and crews on both commercial and military aircraft. Nothing was said, however, about private travelers in Piper Cubs. We were looked upon as some sort of rare species for which no precedent had been set. The local Emir told us that we would have to wait until a new book was written. I wondered if we should take out our citizenship papers right then and there and spare them all the trouble or wait until they had been trying unsuccessfully to compose new rules to apply to our case. The King finally cut the knot. He heard about our plight at about two o'clock in the afternoon of our sixth day there. At two fifteen we were cleared.

We wasted little time leaving. Early the next morning we nearly broke ourselves paying our exorbitant landing fee and hangar rents and took off.

Bahrein Island, Sharjah, and Karchi passed in a haze of dull humid nights and hot flying days. We met our first story-book character when we were invited to stay at the palace at Jodhpur, the capital of Rajputana. The maharajah was pleased, he said, to have us as our guests. It was the finest palace I've ever slept in. A cozy little place, the Public Library Building in New York would be a tight squeeze in the front room. We were sufficiently awed, but eager to get away. We crossed India as quickly as possible. Took off from Calcutta for Rangoon and

landed in Akyab. We thought that we might have to share sleeping facilities in the airport "guest room" with two scorpions and one large hairy brown spider but two Catholic missionaries came to our rescue. We spent the night with them in their mission, thanked them heartily and sincerely, then took off at first light of dawn for Rangoon once more.

We almost didn't make it into that Burmese city. A large, minacious looking thunderstorm of gigantic radius was perched directly over the airfield. The ceiling was about two hundred feet and the visibility was cut to less than a quarter of a mile by the intense downpour. We couldn't wait for the storm to clear as we were nearly out of gas so we barged on in.

Bangkok was next in line, then Hanoi. The French were again hospitable, though somewhat cynical. We didn't mind their attitude. We said, "*merci bien*," received as much information as we could from them about our next destination and headed for Hong Kong.

Typhoon warnings kept us on the ground there for six days and spoiled our attempted flight to Shanghai on the seventh. The weather forecaster told us that head winds would be light, ten to fifteen knots, all the way to Shanghai. At the end of four hours we had covered three hundred miles—head winds of about thirty miles an hour—but during the next two hours we traveled only a hundred miles. The wind was becoming stronger. We would never reach our destination at that rate. We held a hurried conference over the radio and decided to turn back to Amoy, a large coastal town, supposedly equipped with an up-to-date airport. It turned out to be a hangarless open field composed for the most part of muddy clay, but we went in anyway.

Curious Chinese folk who had never seen a smaller airplane than a DC-3 crowded around our fragile craft. We

tried to keep them back but they merely smiled, bowed and pressed closer. George took off in the fuel truck for the town to try to dig up someone that could help us. I was left to guard our tickets home. I thought I had the answer to my problem when a small Chinese lad came running to me shouting, "I speak English, I speak English." After a minute or so of fruitless questioning I discovered that that was the entire extent of his Occidental vocabulary. I felt licked. The aircraft would be ripped to pieces very soon if I didn't think of something. I remembered that our flight managers had given us letters of identity before we took off. One of them was written in Chinese. I hoped fervently that there was at least one local character that could read. It was unlikely but I gave it a try. It worked. The name Truman on the paper was a charm. The President of the United States was visiting Amoy! The crowd fell back. If the sun had been shining they would have scorched their collective tonsils. I must be at least an ambassador!

We spent three days in that place waiting for the typhoon to make up its mind whether to tear up our planes or go about its business across the waters toward Hawaii. At that point it didn't seem to matter to us which course it took. We were nearly broke, about ten dollars was divided between us, but we could probably have worked our way home on a steamer.

The fourth day the weather broke clean enough for us to continue. It was then early October. We prayed that the North Pacific weather, never too serene, would remain placid enough for us to attempt that crucial crossing. We estimated that if we could leave northern Japan before the middle of the month we had a reasonable chance to avoid fatal icing conditions and winter winds.

The twenty-eighth of October found us waiting at Nemuro, in northern Hokkaido, for the latest forecast. It was eve-

ning, cold and damp, but we were shivering from another sensation, not related to the temperature.

Shanghai, Fukuoka, Nagoya, Tokyo, and Chitose, were behind us. Our planes had been inspected. The two fifty gallon tanks in our back seats had been stuffed to capacity. Our extra oil tanks were bubbling over. Our pockets were filled with food, Army emergency rations. Our flight plan was drawn up. And our nerves were shot.

The Air Force had told us that they were responsible for our safety while crossing the expanse of water. They didn't want to have to go out and search for us if we went down, and they were quite sure that we would. As a consequence, they insisted that B-17's be sent along to mother us. We raised no objections at all. Beneath the slender bellies of the big craft were slung 27-foot power boats. They had two engines capable of pushing the boats nine hundred miles. Our planes had but one engine. It was a temptation just to set the Piper Cub on the first stretch of calm water and ride the rest of the way in a nice comfortable launch.

The Air Force had been much more cooperative than we had ever dreamed it could be. They spared nothing to enable our flight to be a success. And this, their final gesture, was as comfortable as a hot bath and a cozy bed. The pilots of the converted bombers promised that if we went down there would be a boat on the water's surface before we landed.

All appeared to be in our favor when we took off. The forecaster said there was a mild cold front in our path. Tail winds were pushing us at a ground speed of over a hundred and thirty miles an hour. Five hours passed. It was planned that the first B-17 would take off with us and fly out about seven hundred miles. The second mother plane would take off an hour and fifty minutes after we did and intercept us en route. The pilot of the first aircraft radioed us. "We're just about

to our point of no return. We'll have to turn back soon." We thanked him and kept on going. He had been flying up and down the course giving us a glimpse of his lights every few minutes or so. It was pleasant to know that he was there, but we knew we could get along on our own at least until the second plane showed up. He turned back.

Then we hit it. Instead of a mild cold front being in our path, a deep, well-formed warm front loomed ahead of us. We were in it for over six hours. During that time we couldn't see each other, except for brief glimpses of a pinpointed light. We couldn't see even our wingtips. All we looked at was our instruments. We knew we could trust them. Kollsman and Sperry turn out just about as reliable products as money can buy, or glib tongues can talk a manufacturer out of.

We had been in the clouds for perhaps two hours when we ran into one of those unexplainable clear stretches. I saw the tail-light of George's plane ahead of me and far below me.

"What you doing way down there, chum?" I called.

"I think I have a bit of ice on my wings," he crackled back. "Can't seem to hold my altitude. I'm down to five-hundred feet and still mushing."

I tried to contact the B-17 that was supposed to intercept us. All I could hear was static. The precipitation would render his radar screen useless. How could he possibly find us? I worried.

"Hey, Cliff," George said once more. His voice still sounded as if he were sitting at home in a rocking chair. "I'm okay now, this warm rain we just ran into melted the ice."

I stopped worrying.

Then my engine quit. My heart quit at the same time. I thought I knew the trouble. I had estimated the amount of fuel in my left tank incorrectly. I switched tanks. The engine still failed to catch. I was losing altitude at the rate of

about five hundred feet per minute. I cut my life raft loose, fastened my shoulder straps, strapped everything in sight to my belt, and tightened the draw cord around the neck of my exposure suit. Then with a few splutters the engine lived again.

I took ten long swallows from my canteen to replace the quart of sweat I had lost, and tried to imagine whether massage would ever replace that inch of hair-line.

I couldn't imagine what else could happen to enlarge my ulcers, but my imagination is quite puny.

We came out of the overcast just as dawn was breaking. It was a beautiful sight. A pink line widened around the horizon, then minutes later we could see the few puffy clouds beneath us. The B-17 was still not in sight, but we were in radio contact with him at any rate.

Then I glanced through the drift meter. We were drifting twenty-two degrees to the left. Directly for Russian territory. And what was worse we were drifting rapidly off course. No winds capable of giving us that much drift had been forecast and the gods of Olympus only knew how long we had been drifting like that. We guessed at the approximate spot where the winds had changed and made an appropriate correction. There was absolutely no way of determining whether our computations were accurate or not.

An hour or so later George called me, "Get your head out of the cockpit, Cliff and look over to your right at about two o'clock." I looked. There was that gorgeous, lovely, maternal B-17. The tension slacked like a broken clothes line.

Someone sang, as we passed over the international date-line, "Happy Yesterday to You." The radio range signals from Shemya were coming in loud and clear. We had it made.

From then on all of our experiences were anti-climactic. The Aleutians, though we had built up a healthy respect for them, passed by. The frigidity of

Alaska and northern Canada delayed us but failed to stop us. We felt so good that we took off from Lethbridge, Alberta, with the hope in our minds that we might make it non-stop to Los Angeles.

We passed Salt Lake and sang out to the operator in the communications shack, "Tell 'em in L. A. we'll be there soon. We are going to try to make it non-stop."

"How can you?" he came back. "How much fuel do you have? You couldn't have enough range left to make it six hundred miles more."

"How do you think we got across the Pacific?" George answered.

We looked like two displaced persons when we arrived at moviedom's capital. Neither of us had shaved for four days. We hadn't even been within speaking distance of a barber for three months. Our coveralls were filthy and our hands and face were in even worse shape.

After a very surprising reception we climbed in the Mayor's car with him and his family. It was a long, black, sleek limousine. A motorcycle cop led us, two of his buddies rode on the flanks, and one trailed us. All tried to outdo the others with the sirens. The noise was more like a super-sonic projectile than a parade.

We screamed down Hollywood Boulevard. We made a sweeping U-turn and drew up in front of the Hollywood-Roosevelt Hotel. The crowds on the sidewalk were surprised to see two tramps climb out of the lead car.

George and I went to rather a lot of trouble to prove a few points. We hope we have driven those points home to the peoples all over the world.

The light aircraft is practical, dependable, durable, and safe. Flying, all flying, can be just as safe as your easy-chair in your living room, provided rules of common sense are observed and the pilots become aware of their limitations. We didn't try to fly in weather that we couldn't handle. We took no risk that was not absolutely necessary. And we

tried to keep an alternate plan of action in mind at all times.

We sincerely hope that in the future, perhaps five or ten years from now, manufacturers will be able to turn out airplanes that can be flown from continent to continent across oceans with every element of risk eliminated. That day is not here now. We don't advise anyone to start out in a light plane now and try to follow our route. There are, however, probably many thousands of pilots in the United States alone that could make the trip easier than we did. But we hope they will wait. There'll be a day when you, or perhaps your son, will turn to his wife and say, "Let's get out the jalopy and fly over to visit those nice people in southern France. They came to see us last summer, you know, and I'd like to see how much their kids have grown. How about it?"

Well, how about it?



ROBERT L. KUNZIG

### KUNZIG APPOINTED DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL OF PENNSYLVANIA

Robert L. Kunzig, Mu '39, has been appointed Deputy Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by Governor James Duff.

Brother Kunzig was active on the campus of the University of Pennsylvania and was graduated Phi Beta Kappa. He was a star of the famous Mask and Wig shows for four years, introducing many Hit-Parade songs on coast-to-coast hook ups.

During the war Brother Kunzig served on the War Department Special Staff as Executive Officer of the program to re-educate German prisoners of war in America. He was later sent to Europe on a special mission by the Secretary of War to place prominent Germans in positions of importance in governmental posts. He made a survey of the political

situation and reported upon his return to Asst. Secretary of State John Hildring and the War Department.

After his release from active duty, Brother Kunzig was appointed a United States Prosecutor in Europe, and he returned to Germany as Assistant Chief Prosecutor in charge of the Buchenwald Case. His duties included trying the first Prince of royal blood ever to be tried by a War Crimes Court, and prosecuting the infamous Ilse Koch, of human skin-for-lampshades fame. Kunzig was invited to many European countries as guest of the governments. He was honored by a command audience with King Haakon VII of Norway, and by the Deputy Prime Minister of Czechoslovakia and many other European officials.

Upon his return he became associated with the firm of Clark, Brown, McCown, Fortenbaugh and Young in the private practice of the law.

# Bentley's Galley

JULIAN BENTLEY, Beta Triton '30  
News Commentator for  
Columbia Broadcasting System



Some weeks ago in Washington Secretary of State Marshall received a polite call from several officials of the government of Denmark. This was not their first visit, and the subject at hand was not new, either. The Danes said in effect: "Won't you please get out of Greenland?" After the meeting a spokesman for the State Department said: "No final commitments were made, but the discussion did provide a clearer understanding of the factors involved." That was a nice opaque statement, but after all, there are many factors involved, vital ones.

During the war we all learned a bit more about geography. We learned, for example, the importance of the Great Circle route—why it was shorter to fly north from, say, New York, to Paris than to head straight out across the Atlantic. Why it was shorter to fly from San Francisco north by way of the Aleutians to reach Japan than to start straight west across the Pacific. And when the Nazis invaded Norway, midwesterners learned the unpleasant truth that if the Nazis wanted to bomb Chicago from bases in Northern Norway they would not have to fly as far as they would if they chose New York as their target. That narrowed the world down considerably for a lot of us.

Since the war much emphasis in defense planning has been placed upon the Arctic. Army ground forces have con-

ducted extensive maneuvers in the Far North, testing men, methods and equipment. The Navy has conducted Arctic maneuvers near Greenland. And the Army Air Force has made numerous training flights in the Far North.

Last autumn the Army Air Force revealed that it can now fly anywhere in the Polar region any time of year. It is also working out a defense system for Alaska to include radar warning stations, underground fighter control centers and bases for heavy bomb squadrons.

Defense definitely looks to the north. That is why these talks with the Danes are so important.

Greenland's recorded history runs back to the year 982 A.D. In that year Eric Thorwaldson, better known as Eric the Red, sailed west from Iceland where his family had emigrated from Norway some years previously. He came upon Greenland and thus became the first European authentically known to have landed in the western hemisphere. He became the father of Leif the Lucky who was later actually to land on the North American Continent. But Eric himself was a man of energy and something of a promoter. To attract colonists he named the big island Greenland—one of the first examples of real estate promotion through use of an attractive name. Eric traveled to the southernmost point of

Greenland, now known as Cape Farewell. Then he went west to the district known as Julianehaab. He later led a fleet of 25 vessels filled with colonizers. Eleven ships were lost in a storm but the survivors formed two settlements on the east and west coasts. Six hundred years later the Danes set up a colony and established their claim to Greenland.

When the Nazis invaded Norway and Denmark on April 9, 1940, the British quickly occupied Iceland and the Faeroes Islands to forestall any air attack on Canada by Nazi planes based in those islands. After all Reykjavik, Iceland, is only 800 miles from Cape Farewell at the southern tip of Greenland. From Cape Farewell it's only about 950 miles to Newfoundland and only 1800 from New York. Washington, too, saw the threat and on April 10, 1941, it was announced that the United States had sent consular representatives to Godthaab, on the sheltered southwest coast of Greenland. We were concerned for the population of Greenland which had been supplied by regular ships from Denmark. But we were also concerned for our own defenses, and we sent troops and established weather reporting bases on the island.

This was not the first time we had looked north to Greenland. Away back in 1916, Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary, the famed Arctic explorer, had urged that the United States purchase Greenland as a defense measure. Here's what he said, 32 years ago: "Geographically, Greenland belongs to North America and the Western Hemisphere over which we have formally declared a sphere of influence by our Monroe Doctrine. Its possession by us," he continued, "will be in line with the Monroe Doctrine and will eliminate one more possible source of future complications for us from European possessions in the Western Hemisphere. Greenland is comparatively near to us. . . . And stranger things have happened than that Greenland, in

our hands, might furnish an important naval and aeronautical base. A North Pacific naval base in the Aleutian archipelago is a recognized possibility. Why not a similar base in the North Atlantic? (Remember this was said in 1916.) There are fjords in southern Greenland which would hold the entire Navy, with deep, narrow, impregnable entrances. Thirty hours' steaming due south from Cape Farewell by 35-knot warcraft would put them in the trans-Atlantic sea lanes midway between New York and the British Channel. With the rapid shrinking of distance in this age of speed and invention, Greenland may be of crucial importance to us in the future."

Thus spoke Admiral Robert E. Peary, 32 years ago. Surely, he made an accurate prediction. Another great American who very early recognized the importance of the Great Circle route and of American defense bases in the far north was the late Brigadier General Billy Mitchell. In the twenties he studied the Pacific as a possible future battle ground and said something like this: "Whoever holds Alaska holds the key to the world." The long bitter war in the Pacific, including the grim struggle to dislodge the Japanese from their toeholds in the western Aleutians, served to recall General Mitchell's warning. In the late twenties and the early thirties there was much talk of establishing strong bases in Alaska and the Aleutian chain which stretches along the Great Circle almost to Siberia. However, the Japanese yelled bloody murder whenever we talked about it. And we were just getting under way with our bases when they struck us at Pearl Harbor. We probably won't make that mistake again, no matter who yells.

These are some of the reasons why our talks with Denmark are of such importance. For, bases in the north seem vital to the defense of the Western Hemisphere. We had hoped for an arrange-

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Herbert L. Brown	Drexel Hill, Pa.	Epsilon Triton '32	American Univ.	Aug. 13, 1947
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Frederick Griswold, Jr.	Montclair, N. J.	Theta Deuteron '22	Oregon State	Aug. 14, 1947
Bruce C. Bean	Seattle, Wash.	Pi '39	Frank. & Marshall	Aug. 19, 1947
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Yvonne Mamula	Chicago			
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James B. Hall	Waynesburg, Pa.	Xi '10	St. Lawrence U.	
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Marjorie L. Jones	Chicago, Ill.			Oct. 24, 1947
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# Phi Sig Basketball Stars



Bill O'Rourke, Xi, St. Lawrence University forward, is considered the best basketball player in the northern part of the state of New York.

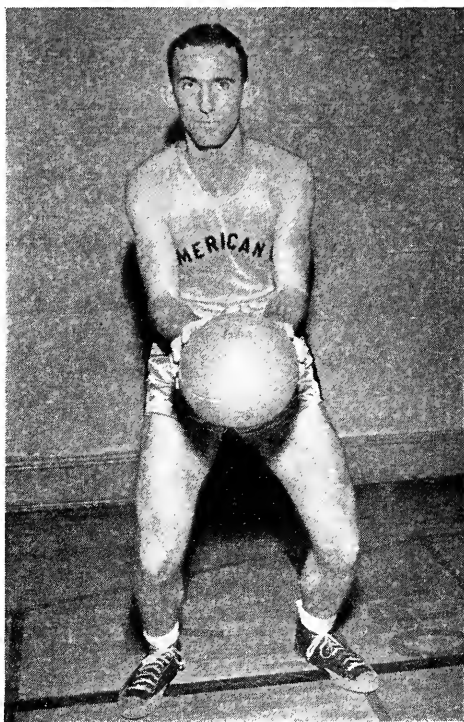
Against Colgate University, O'Rourke proved to be of the same calibre as these crack players, garnering 13 points against them on a night that he was extremely sick. A Marine veteran, Bill played in that service with a team on which were members who had, and now are, playing with nationally known college teams. He stands head and shoulders above his fellow players here, and yet remains a modest, extremely likable fellow.

He played with Cherry Point Marine Air Base in a national tournament, as well as with a Camp Lejeune, North Carolina five.

In nine games here at St. Lawrence, Bill has forty-five field goals, as well as dropping forty-eight out of sixty-five foul shots. One night found him making thirty-one points for the local cause, eleven of these foul points on thirteen attempts.

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**Fred Walter**, Delta Deuteron '17, has recently formed a new law firm with Morris Zwerdling and Cy Bevan, the Democratic National Committeeman for Michigan.



Billy Joe "Tex" Griffin, Epsilon Triton, a native of Sherman, Texas. He served in the Navy during the war with 26 months aboard the USS Suwannee in the Pacific. While aboard the Suwannee Tex played basketball under A U's Coach Cassell. This association was largely responsible for his decision to enter The American University.

Before entering the service in May, 1943, Tex played three years of basketball and two years of football with Southmayd High, Texas. He was captain of the basketball team in 1941. Tex is 24, height, 6' 1", weight, 195 pounds, and plays guard for the American University.

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**William Mudge**, Gamma '35, after buying clothing for the Navy during the war, is now Merchandise Manager for J. C. Penny Company of New York.

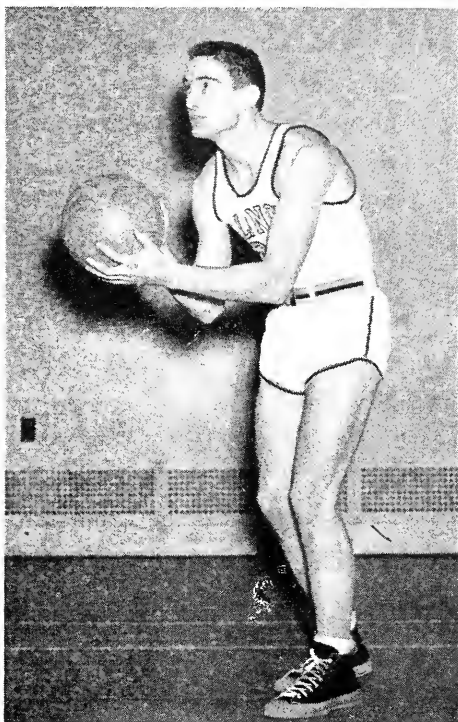
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**Frank Smith**, Alpha Deuteron '26, Champaign insurance tycoon, was recently elected President of the Champaign County Country Club.

# Phi Sig Basketball Stars



Ken Story, Theta Deuteron, is the 6' 4" forward or center of Oregon State University.



Benton Odum, Alpha Deuteron, height, 6' ½", weight, 172, comes from Marion, Illinois, and plays guard for the University of Illinois.

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**Dewitt De Groat**, Gamma '30, who now resides in Teaneck, New Jersey, is the Assistant Comptroller for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

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**William Jackson**, Gamma '27, is now living in Albany, New York. He is the district manager for the Firestone Tire Company in that region.

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**Brother Robert A. Doyle**, Gamma '14, on September 1st became the Vice-President of Cornell University.

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**Bob Parker**, Omicron '31 has a new address: 325 West 6th Avenue, Huntington, West Virginia. He is Sales Manager of Standard Ultramarine Company.

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**Bud Saunders**, Gamma '45, is at the present living in Baltimore working with Montgomery & Ward as Assistant Manager of their cafeteria.

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## TAU WINS INTRAMURAL HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Tau Chapter's crack hockey team overwhelmed Wigwam, a dormitory team which had swept past four adversaries, to take the hockey championship of Dartmouth College. The losers didn't have a chance. They were both out-manned and out-played, and after one period of rapid action were so bushed that it was agreed to end the contest. Tau Chapter has three complete offensive lines and a host of defensive stars.

# Cats

## *In Prose and Verse*

### A Book Review



By

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Yes, your reviewer liked it. Very much. It may be that he was unusually susceptible at the moment the book first came into his hands though he is no professed ailurophile. He was, however, in the very act of reading a news item stating that the American Feline Society had just proposed, upon the suggestion of the *London Daily Mirror*, that what Europe would have to have was a force of 1,000,000 healthy and vigorous "work cats" to preserve its food supplies against the ravages of rats. And that very morning he had received a letter from a learned Classical colleague promising to present an illustrated talk on "The Cat in Ancient Greece and Rome" as a number on a Classical society program that was pending. His interest had been aroused.

Yet these two facts could hardly have sufficed to explain his growing enthusiasm as he read the book; Brother Crawford has compiled a work that really commands attention. Out of the enormous

literature dealing with cats, he has culled items that constitute more than a fine anthology. For there is a pattern in the selection and in the arrangement of the material. Articles, stories, and verse are used to illustrate various phases of the position of the cat in human society and the ways in which the cat has influenced human imagination and emotional reactions.

The prose selections, which in bulk occupy the largest portion of the text, open with several articles on the cat; similarly, factual articles bring the work to its close. In these little essays, there is a wealth of historical data and of feline *curiosa*. To the academic mind, for instance, it is of great interest to learn that the cat is not mentioned at all in the canonical literature of either the Old or the New Testament.

Fictional material constitutes the central portion of the collection. The stories included are of the best—several of these items are classics—representing authors well known. Some of them have been anthologized elsewhere on the basis of

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"Cats in Prose and Verse" by Nelson Antrim Crawford, Iota Deuteron, Editor in Chief, *Household*.  
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their general excellence apart from the cat theme which finds a place for them here. Those by Poe, M. R. James, Algernon Blackwood, and Saki dealing with the supernatural in some form or other have always made a special appeal to your reviewer. When, side by side with cat stories by these authors, he discovered two lyrics on opposite pages—one of them a very tender one—representing names ordinarily associated with the weird in literature, he was led to speculate whether there might not be some basic connection between interest in the supernatural and love of cats. For H. P. Lovecraft was one of the foremost apostles of cosmic horror while August Derleth is a high priest in the realm of the “creepy-crawly.”

The verse selections are short and, like the choruses of a Greek tragedy, are used to separate the narrative sections. They, too, are good; yet, being human, your reviewer wonders why one of his favorites is missing. For to him the edifying death of Thomas Gray's cat that died in a tub of gold fishes is one “that was worthy to hold its head and march down through history” with the titanic death throes of Henry A. Beers' “whale of great porosity and small specific gravity.” It was probably omitted for the same good reason that precluded the presence of hundreds of excellent items well known to the compiler (he mentions Gray's poem)—lack of space in a volume that could not be encyclopedic in scope.

Brother Crawford himself has contributed two items to the work in addition to his illuminating Introduction, a poem, *Cats and Zinnias* and an article, *Cats Holy and Profane*.

The book is charmingly illustrated with drawings by Diana Thorne. These must prove fascinating to the cat-lover and a delight to all who appreciate well executed animal portraiture. The illustrator has also contributed a good story to the collection.

The compiler insists that “the book is



NELSON ANTRIM CRAWFORD

not solely for cat-lovers.” In this your reviewer is inclined to concur, adding, however, that it may serve to make the reader a cat-lover or, at the very least, may prompt him to realize that he has deprived himself of a good deal if he has not bestowed a modicum of interest on “our ancient companion,” the cat.

### BENTLEY'S GALLEY

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ment with Iceland but that came under the heavy frown of Moscow and the Icelanders said no. So we have withdrawn our forces from Iceland where they first arrived in July of 1941. It will be interesting to see what sort of arrangement we make with the Danes regarding Greenland. For even if they do want us to get out, there would seem to be urgent and compelling reasons why we want to stay. As for Admiral Peary's suggestion that we purchase the island, well, we have bought real estate from the Danes before—the Virgin Islands, in 1917 for \$25,000,000. Could be a base in Greenland would be cheap at twice that price.

# Fundamental Education, Common Ground For All People

## A Book Review



By

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One major item of business for UNESCO, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, is "Fundamental Education." Under that title a book was issued last year as a large and learned special committee's report to the preparatory commission of Unesco. The report makes shocking revelations regarding the ignorance of the world in general, demonstrates the need for a global campaign against illiteracy, and suggests important steps in making ready for an all-out war on ignorance.

For all people who are interested in human welfare and worldwide social progress this volume bears a vital message. And in this day of international tension and threats of physical and moral catastrophe what man cares or dares to admit that he is not concerned about the ability of mankind to read and think and resist propaganda? If anybody in our home county cannot read or write, his intellectual handicap affects us directly. Hardly less immediately, when we look at the matter in the lurid light of modern

physics, are we harmed by deficiencies of education among the aborigines of Inner Mongolia, let us say, or hungry villagers of Central Africa.

I am not suggesting that all you, my brothers in Phi Sigma Kappa, should peruse this book. But I invite your attention briefly to a summary of its important content.

Dr. Julian Huxley, Director General of Unesco, declares in his foreword that as long as "half the people of the world are denied the elementary freedom which consists in the ability to read and write" the world lacks something of basic unity and basic justice. A member of the committee looks at the matter from another angle when he insists that vast numbers of men and women are "illiterate, unskilled in modern science, and unaware of other societies and ways of living" and "their ignorance is a menace to the world at large."

Because general lack of education is a threat to peace on Earth, all mankind has an interest in a program for the first stage of the war on ignorance, the campaign against illiteracy. Various ways of fighting illiteracy are discussed in early pages of the report. A general view of

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Report of a Special Committee . . . New York, MacMillan, 1947 pp. 279.

the situation reveals that literacy is relatively high in Europe, in English-speaking North America, and in the islands of the South Pacific, that Asia as a whole is almost ninety per cent illiterate, and Africa has the lowest literacy rate of all the continents. Reports from Latin America, Africa, India, and China describe methods of mass education now in use and demonstrate typical difficulties to be overcome. Statements of conditions in the Middle East and in Russia reveal special problems. The final section of the introductory chapter includes insistence on the obvious and undeniable fact that a world movement for fundamental education already exists.

From presenting examples the committee proceeded to generalization regarding the need and possibility of a program for producing widespread literacy in one language as a first step in the direction of world culture. In treating of policies and methods the experts were not in agreement, and their recommendations about techniques to be used in producing literacy in one language or another differ no more widely than do their definitions of desirable aims for general education beyond literacy. The members of the committee are scholars of many different cultural origins, and the only idea about which they seem to be in absolute agreement is the desirability of peace. As the prime purpose of the fundamental educational program some would seek the inculcation of technical knowledge, others, the establishment of the standard of living of peasant societies of Western Europe as a minimum standard of living, others, "enlightenment in terms of recognizing the value of the individual and the constructive possibilities of change."

Contributors to the report agree, however, in recognizing certain salient problems for future solution, problems about the scope and content of fundamental education, the functions of voluntary agencies and governmental authority in

a general educational program, the need and possibility of making language more effective for educational ends, the provision of reading matter and other mechanical aids for group educational activities.

The last chapter in the volume recommends the establishment of a "panel" of scholars and scientists to prepare and provide bibliographies and other information for workers in the field and to study the varied problems of fundamental education. The concluding section expresses the pious hope, if not quite the confident assurance, that immediate and substantial accomplishment in the campaign against illiteracy and the blind prejudice accompanying it may help the world to avoid the scourge of atomic warfare.



Robert (Red) Rolfe, Tau '31, well known to all sport fans, has recently been promoted from supervisor of scouting to director of farm clubs for the Detroit Tigers.

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# Phi Sigma Kappa

By RALPH J. WATTS

(Continued from January 1948 SIGNET)

*After 1938*

Because of failing health, in July 1938, Brother Burrows notified the Council that he could not continue with the editorship of *The SIGNET*. In fact, for two years Schoening, in addition to his engrossing duties as national president, had assumed large responsibility in the publication of the magazine, changing the format and the color design of the cover.

At the meeting immediately following the 1938 Convention of the newly chosen Council, held at San Francisco, Watts was reappointed Secretary-Treasurer, but requested that he be relieved of these duties as soon as a qualified successor could be secured. To this office he had first been appointed in May, 1923. His reasons for retiring at this time were set forth in the following letter which he addressed to Brother McIntyre upon his return from San Francisco:

"It is certain that an organization such as this should not and cannot remain static. Its activities, dealing as they do with a constantly changing personnel of young men, and closely integrated with our structure of higher education, must inevitably expand, and our program must readily become adjusted to meet the requirements of our objectives.

"The scope of our program has been very greatly enlarged during the past fifteen years, and similar progress may confidently be anticipated for the next decade. Practically every major project which we have undertaken has led to the opportunity and demand for still further service.

"Manifestly our chapters desire and are prepared to maintain a national organization which is comparable in its activities and leadership with the oldest and most efficiently administered fraternities. I am in a position to understand what will be required of the Council and particularly of its Executive Secretary, if this end is to be achieved.

"With the limited time which I can devote to this work, I believe that I have carried the program as far as I can effectively; and it appears to be for the best interest of Phi Sigma Kappa, as well as for the fraternity as an institution, that I retire as Secretary and Treasurer, and that from this point our program be directed by someone who can give a relatively large share of his energy to this important task.

"In general, our affairs are now in good condition. The difficulties of the past decade, common to all fraternities, have been met by us with relative success. In the more prosperous years immediately following our reorganization in 1923, we set aside from current income \$20,000 as a nucleus for an endowment fund; this fund has increased somewhat, although not as rapidly as we would wish. Annual contributions to our operating budget, first requested in 1934, were in 1937-1938 made by 550 alumni. The *SIGNET* has been enlarged and improved, and is now available to any alumnus without expense to him. Chapter inspections by a full-time traveling deputy are now being made. With a few exceptions, our chapters are well managed, healthy and prospering. There is a surplus of over \$10,000 in our current





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account, after spending about \$15,000 for the 1938 Convention. The ritual has been revised, and significant modifications have been made in our national By-laws, thereby improving our administrative procedure. The number of competent and influential alumni becoming actively identified with our national organization in some official capacity has constantly increased. And our chapters manifestly respect and value their affiliation with Phi Sigma Kappa."

The Council chose Schoening as Editor of *The Signet* and after careful consideration of the issues raised by the retirement of Watts, elected Schoening as his successor. It was understood that this change would involve the fraternity in considerable additional expense, particularly for the rent and maintenance of a central office.

To those most experienced in the management of our fraternity, it was evident that it would have been advisable if a more adequate central office had been established at an earlier date. Practically all national fraternities had found it necessary as well as advantageous to develop such a project, and many had for some years employed a full time secretary and maintained a central office on a relatively elaborate basis.

### *REVIEW OF THE PERIOD*

Thus in the autumn of 1938 this fraternity entered upon a new era of administration and development. It should be recalled that the 1922 Convention, when our chapter roll was 31, had approved a budget which provided for a central office on a much more costly scale than that established in 1938 when we had 45 chapters.

The previous period of nearly sixteen years may be regarded as essentially one of transition, expansion, and of perfection of details of internal administration. The experiences of Phi Sigma Kappa were a reflection of the nation wide economic trends dominating this period. The decade beginning in 1920 was characterized by a rapid increase in the attendance of college and university men and a corresponding growth in the number of local fraternities. Scores of these sought affiliation with national fraternities already well established, and Phi Sigma Kappa accepted twenty of the petitions presented to it (between 1920 and 1930). It was during this period that state legislation against fraternities ended.

This too was an era of thoughtless and ill advised spending. New and expensive fraternity houses were erected by the hundred the country over, many of them unwisely financed and inefficiently managed. A spirit of optimism and of unbounded confidence that the prevailing good times would continue, was found on every hand.

At last the inevitable reaction came, and with it the long and tragic economic depression; for fraternities, this was essentially a purging experience and it is not surprising that this fraternity lost seven chapters, and that a number of other chapters were unable to retain ownership of their houses. That more houses were not sacrificed was due to the fact that there was limited use for these structures for other than fraternity purposes; no banker wanted a fraternity house; he was more concerned about the high interest rate provided by the mortgage agreement.

The period since 1930 constituted, however, one of consolidation of gains, and many chapters came through this trying decade with greater strength than they had previously enjoyed.

The records indicate that up to January 1, 1923, 6870 men had been initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa. This number had increased to 15,754 in July, 1938. Since 1920, twenty-two new chapters had been added to our rolls and seven had become inactive.

The Secretary had prepared and published four issues of a directory of members (in 1924, 1927, 1930 and 1937).

With the inevitable increase in administrative details, it was necessary that they should be concentrated in a central office where the basic records of the fraternity were available and from which the numerous regulations which had been established by succeeding Conventions would be administered.

Of the national officers who in 1920-1922 were shaping the policies of Phi Sigma Kappa, Burrows had served as President for two terms, had edited *The Signet* for nine years and because of ill health was in retirement in 1938. Rand who in addition to serving with distinction as Secretary for a period of four years, had published the first history of Phi Sigma Kappa and for fifteen years had edited *The Signet*, retired from this important post in 1929. Ross Lawrence after eight years of constructive service as Treasurer, retired in the spring of 1923. "Joe" Root had died. Vogel, the "Czar", who had been a national officer since 1896, had forty years later become virtually inactive. John Adams Lowe, one of the most able men ever to serve as a national officer, retired in 1922. Three members only who were national officers in 1922 were still active in 1938; these were McIntyre who had served consecutively as a national officer since 1904, Conley who had retired as President in 1922 and after a sojourn in France had returned to the United States and in 1934 had been again elected to the Supreme Court, and Gilbert Morgan who had been elected to either the Council or the Supreme Court by every Convention since 1912 except three.

The two Founders, Brooks and Campbell, living in 1920, had joined the Chapter Invisible.

The leadership and management of the fraternity had passed into the hands of men who prior to 1923 had not attained national recognition. Among these were Batt, Barnes, Lafean, Hamilton and Schoening who served successively and with distinction as President from 1928 to 1938. Watts had occupied the position of Secretary-Treasurer during the entire period under discussion.

This period was characterized by an unselfish leadership of vision, devotion and sacrifice on the part of the presidents and of many other officers.

The regional conclaves which had their inception in New England in 1919-20 had developed into important and essential functions in the management of the fraternity. The Conventions had constantly become more businesslike and at them serious and constructive consideration was given to the solution of the problems confronting the order.

The Council was meeting three times in a biennium rather than six or eight as was the earlier practice and was conducting its financial affairs on a budget basis inaugurated by Watts in 1925.

The chapter advisers were recognized as indispensable deputies in the structure of chapter supervision and in the development of national policies. In general the record of any chapter is a reflection of the sense of responsibility of the chapter adviser and of his leadership.

Alumni interest was at no time such as to meet the hopes of the Council, especially as far as the activities of the alumni clubs were concerned. However, it is gratifying to note that between 1934 and 1938, 38 alumni contributed \$1,659.00 to the endowment fund, and that receipts from alumni dues amount to \$5,187.00.

One of our greatest apparent weaknesses is that we have failed to retain the vital interest in the direction of the larger policies of the fraternity, of many leaders,

after their term of active service has terminated; and that so few brothers who have served as undergraduate officers have continued their leadership following graduation from college.

Two Conventions had been held in San Francisco, representing an expense to the national treasury of about \$32,000. Since, beginning in 1926, the Council paid the traveling expense to the Convention of chapter advisers and undergraduate delegates, a procedure followed by no other national fraternity, every chapter could be thus represented, and no chapter in good standing failed to send a delegate.

Following the audit of the Treasurer's report made at the 1922 Convention, the fact was disclosed that the national treasury was practically empty. Between that time and the 1938 Convention an endowment fund of approximately \$25,000 had been built up, largely from unexpended current income from 1923 to 1928. In 1938 there was also a surplus of over \$10,000 in the current operating fund after financing the Convention held that year in San Francisco. Undergraduates and alumni were now, as a result of Convention legislation, paying annual dues. In the past 15 years, notable gains have been made in the improvement of scholarship through fraternity leadership; that the education of its students is the primary function of a college or university, and that learning is one of the most compelling motives of college attendance, has come to be generally recognized and its implications accepted by fraternity men.

Collectively, fraternities now conduct a business of substantial size; their leaders have in general become more responsible financially, and more competent in the management of their affairs. Their houses are more adequate in size and appointments, and they are maintained on a higher standard. The service of fiscal budgeting and of accurate accounting, is better understood.

Reasonable progress has been achieved in the routine of chapter organization, management, and discipline.

We hope also, and believe, that there have been significant gains in the pursuit of the intangible values of fraternalism. The fraternity offers the gratification of the universal human instinct for brotherhood; no other existing institution presents such an opportunity to men of college age. It is because the fraternity has rendered this service with acceptable success that it has prospered and has enlarged its influence for over 150 years.

The fraternity also cooperates with the home, the school, and the church in the development of men of character and of integrity.

Only if in the achievement of these two fundamental objectives, Phi Sigma Kappa has made a creditable record, can we expect or claim the right to move to higher planes of leadership.

We may confidently conclude that the program and policy of Phi Sigma Kappa in the years covered by this record has been wisely directed and that it has been sound; and that at the close of the period, Phi Sigma Kappa enjoys the esteem of educational leaders and of sister fraternities and the affection and loyalty of its members.

In the reorganization which resulted in part from the changes in the By-laws adopted at the 1938 Convention and in part from the establishment of a central office adequate in size and equipment, it is obvious that the progress of the past two decades will continue, and that Phi Sigma Kappa will serve future generations of undergraduates with an increasing effectiveness.



# Chapter Hymeneal

## CURTIS-HANSFORD

In a beautiful ceremony on September 7, 1947 Brother Richard Hansford, Eta Triton '45, plighted his troth to Miss Barbara Curtis. The ceremony took place at the United Brethren Church, Akron, Ohio.

## STOLL-KENYON

Brother Charles Kenyon, Eta Triton '45, and Miss Dorothy Stoll were united in marriage between semesters. The marriage took place at the Zion Lutheran Church, Sunday, February 1, 1948 at Akron, Ohio. Miss Stoll is a graduate of Akron University now attending night classes to obtain a masters degree in psychology.

## CHEEK-BINSWANGER

The marriage of Miss Lindalee Cheek and William B. Binswanger took place January 30, 1948, in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, College Park, Maryland. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland H. Cheek of College Park. Brother Binswanger is a member of Epison Triton Chapter at the American University, class of '51.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore white velveteen. Her veil was held with a headband of the same material and she carried a bouquet of white roses. The couple will live in Washington where Brother Bill is studying at the School of Social Sciences and Public Affairs of The American University.

## POWELL-DILLAWAY

On November 1, 1947, at Bay City, Michigan, the former Delva Dorothea Powell and Brother Robert B. Dillaway, Delta Deuteron '45, were united in marriage. They presently are living in Washington, D. C.

## JOSEPHSON-NYBERG

Brother Dale Nyberg, Omega '49, and Miss Lelia Josephson were married on December 20, 1947 in Oakland, California. Brother Keith Davis, Omega '49, acted as best man.

## HODGE-WAGNER

Brother Toby Wagner, Mu Deuteron '48, married Miss Dorothy Hodge, Butte, Montana in Butte on January 17, 1948.

## HARRISON-MURPHY

Brother Elton Murphy, Lambda '49, and Miss Mary Louise Harrison were united in marriage in a beautiful candle-light ceremony at St. Augustana Lutheran Church on January 24, 1948. Brother John Gray was best man and Brother Lew Hoffacker ushered.

A reception, which many Lambda men attended, followed at the church.

## DAVIDSON-STEWART

Brother Duane Stewart, Lambda '50 and Miss Dottie Davidson were united in marriage at a chapel wedding, December 12, 1947.

## RITCHE-CARLYN

Brother Hayes Carlyn, Eta Triton '45, was married to Miss Lois Ritche during Christmas vacation. The ceremony took place at the North Hill Church of Christ, Akron, Ohio, Saturday morning, December 20, 1947.

## SMITH-SHAMA

Brother Assad Shama, Eta Triton '45, and Miss Jacqueline Smith were united in marriage on January 1, 1948 at the First United Presbyterian Church, Akron, Ohio.

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# Chapter Invisible

## JOHN T. McCLERNAN

Brother John T. McClernan, Kappa '26, passed away on August 2, 1947 after a long illness.

While at Pennsylvania State College Brother McClernan was active in the boxing field. In his senior year he won the intercollegiate championship. He also was the captain of the boxing team.

At the time of his death, Brother McClernan was employed by the Crompton-Richmond Company, Inc. of New York, a large textile manufacturing company.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary E. McClernan; two brothers, Clark and Robert, who is also a member of Phi Sigma Kappa; and a sister, Mary.

## RICHARD LAMB

Richard Lamb passed away at the Middlesex Hospital in Middletown, Connecticut on January 7, 1948. Richard was a pledge of Alpha Triton Chapter and a member of the class of 1951 at Wesleyan University.

## EDWIN CECIL BARKER, JR.

Brother Edwin Cecil Barker, Jr., Psi Deuteron '37, passed away on February 24, 1947.

Brother Barker spent two years as head of Classifications at Spokane Army Air Depot.

At the time of his death, he was manager of the Hollenbeck Piano Company, Spokane, Washington.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Betty Barker.

## CHARLES SHAW

Brother Charles Shaw, Omicron '14, passed away in California on January 30, 1947.

While serving as a Captain in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, before Pearl Harbor, he was attacked by a fanatical native on an island in the Southwest Pacific, and severely wounded. Removed to the hospital at Manila, he was recovering when the Japs hit the city.

He was interned by the Japs in Bilibid Prison throughout the war and released by the American troops. He returned to California, but never recovered from the hardships of his confinement.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Charles Shaw, and two children.

## "FOREVER NINETEEN"

On Monday, January 26, at 3:30 p.m., WLS radio story teller read from "Forever Nineteen," written by Arthur Frederic Otis of Glen Ellyn, Illinois, about his son Arthur Frederic Otis, Jr., Alpha Deuteron '47, a Marine killed on Okinawa.

In 1939 Mr. Otis, Sr. started to record in verse interlaced with prose the experiences of his son, Art, Jr. Art was 13 then. He had returned from his canoe trip in Canada, "tired, tanned, dirty, and happy, with a touch of pink-eye for good measure."

As one might expect, the reading of what a father wrote about his son who "rests near where the China Sea rolls blue, Beneath the friendly Okinawa sun," was most touching indeed.

The occasion for the reading was Art's birthday; he would have been 22 years old, but is as his father wrote "Forever Nineteen."

## CHAPTERETTES INTRODUCTION PIX

The Chapterettes introduction picture appearing on the opposite page is that of the fireplace in the living room of the Mu Deuteron chapter house. Adorning the mantel in neat array, are the souvenir beer mugs of the seniors.



## MU DEUTERON University of Montana

By BILL RAPP AND TED HOUTZ

Mu Deuteron started social activities for the new year by holding a desert social complete with dancing, juke-box music, and refreshments for the slightly pacified but never the less potentially dangerous "cup snatching" Alpha Chi Omegas.

The second event marked off the calendar was a Fireside held at the house last Friday night. Brother Winchell and his Campus Quartet provided music or a reasonable facsimile thereof. The music was outstanding for its three-part harmony and Brother Winchell was outstanding for his chording and discording on his guitar. Cameraman Bob Leamer managed to get his camera into the confusion and take a picture. All kidding aside the music was good and the party quite a success.

Some twenty or so Phi Sig beer mugs now rest on the fireplace mantelpiece. Their christening has been delayed by a new university ruling.

Hushang Bahar is a new pledge, majoring in forestry at MSU. He hails from Tehran, Iran.

Len O'Neill has pinned Marion Enger, Deer Lodge, Montana. Brother Clayton Wuerl has pinned Grace Anderson, Chinook, Montana. Grace is a Sigma Kappa.

Brother Rial Cummings will leave us soon, to go to medical school.

Al Slaight, now affiliate No. 3, has joined us from the Eta Deuteron Chapter at the University of Nevada, Reno.

The new officers of Mu Deuteron, elected at the beginning of the quarter, are: Leo Wolfe, President; Len O'Neill, Vice-President; John Boe, Secretary; Jack Hensley, pledge boss (re-elected), and Joe Rapp, Inductor. Harold Stanton, new House Manager, has taken over his duties.

"Toby" Wagner, who was recently

married, is still with us. His wife has changed her major from journalism to homemaker.

Brother Wagner went to high school in Pettibone, North Dakota, and spent two years at Valley City Teachers' College, Valley City, North Dakota, before the war sidetracked him. At Valley City, he made the basketball and track squads and sang tenor in the choir and men's glee club.

He plans to graduate this summer, with minors in chemistry, math, natural science and social science. He was twice president of old Mu Deuteron and carried out his duties with a skill that won many friends.

Our good president, Leo (the) Wolfe, recently received a letter from "Big Lou" Stevens, '47, who is attending a radio announcers' school, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. All the brothers who knew him were happy to hear that he had given an engagement ring and pin to "Little Lou" Powers, of Wvola, Montana.

Spring Quarter will probably see the blooming of Mu Deuteron capers on the campus, in the form of exchange dinners, picnics, and open houses.

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## EPSILON DEUTERON Worcester Polytechnic Institute

By RICHARD H. McMAHAN JR.

As second-term activities here on the hill slip into high gear, our chapter looks back on another successful half-year, and forward to an even better one. Since the last issue of *The SIGNET*, house activities and honors have covered many fields.

On 17 December, sixteen underprivileged youngsters from the Worcester Boys' Club were our guests at our annual Christmas party. Brother John Hawley did an excellent job of arranging all the details, and Brother Walt Dick ably assisted in keeping the proceedings under control. The kids were entertained with games, sound movies, and plenty of refreshments, and given presents of toys



and candy by our own Santa Claus, Brother Bob Drew.

The week previous to this party, the brothers had their own Christmas celebration in the form of Tech's Inter-Fraternity Christmas Ball and formal week-end. Friday night (12 December) saw a formal dance, with Alden Memorial Auditorium filled to capacity. Saturday night was less formal but no less enjoyable as all hands and their dates watched the Tech basketball team go "a-courtin'" the Norwich five and defeat them in a thrilling game. One thrill followed another as the Phi Sigs then clambered aboard haytrucks and took over a lodge a few miles outside of town. Saturday afternoon had been spent decorating our big Christmas tree, the welcome feminine touch being supplied by the thirty girls who had taken over everything but the upper annex for the week-end. Our chaperons were Dr. Charles Stauffer (an Epsilon Deuteron alumnus and chemistry professor up the hill) and his wife, who returned to help us out again on the week-end of our pledge dance in January.

Along about December 31st all was in readiness for Phi Sigs to usher in young 1948. Brothers Hallstrom, Hall, Olson, White, Dick, Snyder, Hawley, and McMahan had hands in making preparations, and many brothers returned from their vacations early to be on hand that night when a house full of people, balloons, and noise did a good job of saying "Happy New Year."

At an assembly shortly before first term finals began, fall sports awards brought football letters to Brothers Rehrig and Riley; soccer "W's" to Brothers Adams, Collings, Leonard, and Raymond; and cross country letters to Brothers Dave Brown and Jack Reid. Right now we are watching the fine work of Brothers Seguin, Dillon, and Gilbert on the JayVee basketball squad, and Brothers Collings, Converse, and Freeland, who are playing varsity ball.

Brothers Olson, Bowen, and Bill Brown have been outstanding in Tech's water works, occupying key spots on the swimming team.

On 28-29 February, we initiated our entire pledge class of nineteen men, and welcomed Brothers John Archibald, Sky Keating, Ash Brown, Jack Dillon, Art Fisher, Frank Flood, Andy Freeland, Herb Hayes, Merrill Hescok, Don Knowlton, Kirk Leonard, Charlie Lorenz, Frank MacPherson, Ken Mayo, Frank Myska, Don Poggi, Jack Reid, Les Slocum, and Rog Wye into Phi Sig. We also re-welcomed Brother Bob Campbell, who has returned to Tech after spending some time in the service and at work. Our chapter now numbers 75 active members, 15 of whom plan to graduate in June.

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### ETA TRITON University of Akron

By K. KENYON

Returning to school after the Christmas vacation it was quite obvious that some rather drastic changes had occurred. The chapter house just didn't seem the same; the old familiar faces weren't as numerous as before. Upon closer investigation, it was soon discovered several good brothers had taken the fatal plunge. You guessed it, they entered the state of holy matrimony. (See Chapter Hymeneal.) Among those who marked time to Lohengrin we find Brothers Hayes Carlyn, Ozzie Shama, Jack Lenhart, Harry Smouse, Dick Hansford and, more recently, Chuck Kenyon. The lads of Eta Triton are telling the story of Chuck Kenyon's wedding and how not only the bride but the groom and the guests as well were left waiting at the church. It seems that the minister was held up due to conditions beyond his control and arrived an hour late. In the meantime Brother Jack Bond forced a cellar door and most of the wedding party descended

into the musty cellarway to keep warm.

At the Christmas formal which, by the way, was a really fine affair, Nola Ochenreider was elected as our representative in the Moonlight Girl Contest. Pat Allen



Nola Oceanreider holding flowers, chosen as candidate for Moonlight Girl at Christmas formal. President Pat O'Brien in center and crownor Pat Allen at right.

acted as "crownor." The dance was held at the Shady Hollow Country Club; Bob Cole's orchestra officiated and a good time was had by all.

The 23rd of December will be remembered as a very special Phi Sig party for on this night the brothers and their dates went caroling. One of the more prominent stops for the carolers was City Hospital where they serenaded around the grounds for an hour or so. We sincerely hope that the relapses were held to a minimum on that night!

John Patrick O'Brien is our newly elected president, who moved into office with shillalah and all. Other officers are Gordy Harrod, Vice-President; Andy Oravec, Secretary; Jim Lhota, Treasur-

er; Keith Coultrap, Sentinel, and Ray Drexler, Inductor.

Len Long and fellow members of the social committee deserve a big hand for the brilliantly conceived "De-commissioning" party. On the night of January 24th a fond farewell was given to the U.S.S. Saturday Night, the best bath-tub to be seen within fraternity walls. The tub was originally launched in a gala ceremony in 1940 and is now being replaced by a more modern fixture. Many a tear was silently shed at the ceremony over which Dr. and Mrs. Roy V. Sherman officiated. Overheard was the comment that many a good man had left his mark in the tub.

Eta Triton's ranks were bolstered by the addition of fifteen pledges during the fall semester. They are William Baugus, Eugene Baughman, Richard Chalfant, James Conley, Earl Dennison, Anthony Economu, Ray Englehart, James Johnson, John Kintz, John Lennox, Sidney McNutt, Martin Polen, Earl Selover, William Spangler and Roy Stohlquist. The seven pledges of the semester before are currently going through the trials and tribulations of "Happy Fun Week." During the week so far the second floor study rooms have been repapered and the whole house has been thoroughly scrubbed down. The men responsible for the good appearance of the chapter house are Robert McCort, James McFarland, Edward Petty, William Pierson, William Riddle, Paul Han-nig and Don Hamilton.

Student Council has been honored with the presence of three Phi Sigs. These men are Dick Hansford, Pat O'Brien and Pledge Ed Petty.

During student elections Brother Claude Douthit and Pledge Petty fed each other pie the hard way; whole and thrust into each other's face. I still like mine on a plate and using a fork.

Ford Kahlil and the scholarship committee are to be given credit for the

honest effort to straighten out the files of previous brothers' work. Many of the papers and notes in these files are very necessary and important equipment on those **certain** occasions every semester!

In the sports department we see that three men from the winning intra-mural wrestling team of last year are wrestling for the varsity squad this year. The men are Dick Hansford—165, Bruce Jackson—155, and Andy Oravec—128; Dick Miller—145 is managing the team and wrestling as an alternate. So far the team has racked up a pretty good score. Losing to Case who in turn lost to Kent State, (which made the boys feel pretty good) they turned around to romp Baldwin-Wallace and Finley. The fellows are looking forward to another intra-mural champion team this year. The men on the team this year are Jim Johnson, heavyweight, Dick Miller—145, Darrell Bentely—175, Russ Vermillion—165 and Pledge Marty Polen—136, who, incidentally, is a former track star from Steubenville High.

We have a Class-A baseball player with us too, Paul Hannig by name, who will pitch for the varsity squad.

Two Phi Sigs have landed rather pleasant jobs teaching the latest dance steps at Arthur Murray's. They are Don Hamilton and Ed Petty.

Looks like a powerhouse bowling team coming up for the intra-murals this year. Members so far include John and Ozzie Shama, Ted Boecker, Jim Bush and, acting as alternates, Floyd Andrews and Jim Thorn.

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### ALPHA DEUTERON University of Illinois

The first few days of February find the men still battling finals, looking forward to a brief between-semester respite. The reconversion to a two-semester basis has caused a short semester, with the resulting longer assignments and more fre-

quent exams. Consequently, activities have been reduced slightly.

Next semester's events are being planned now. Fred Hubbell has arranged "Yesterdays" in four-part harmony for us to sing in Sachem Sing this month. Fred has been conducting rehearsals several times a week to transform the chapter into a talented singing unit. Art Vyse, Bud Reese, and Jim Huff are working out ideas for the annual Spring Carnival to be held this spring.

Founders' Day will be observed at Beta Triton this year. Although complete details are still lacking, many of the brothers plan to make the trek to Galesburg. We remember well the Founders' Day observed here last year with brothers from Knox and Purdue.

The first of next semester will see an alumni dinner at Alpha Deuteron. Neighboring alums will be invited to attend this function, intended to increase the ties between undergraduates and alumni.

The pledges have been plotting their revenge all semester, intending to focus their wrath upon the actives when Turnabout Day is observed early next semester. On this day, actives will assume the lowly role of pledges, and pledges will rise to the heights of actives for one day. It is rumored that Phi Sig actives will migrate to the library for this brief period, allowing the pledges to avenge themselves on only the house dog, Hans.

Next semester will find Phi Sig graduate students bolstering their already impressive store of knowledge. Bob Schiffman, Ernie Broom, and Charles Mottier are the ambitious brothers. Bud Reese also will be accumulating graduate credit while completing a few hours for his degree in journalism.

Dick DeBaugh, Lanny Jones, and Jim Huff did the unexpected when they hung their respective pins on their respective belles recently. House President Carroll Nelson did the expected when he gave

his long-time pin girl a diamond over the Christmas vacation.

Two Phi Sigs who amassed the necessary credit hours this semester were Joe Buscemi and Tom Hennessey. Approximately ten other brothers are carefully counting their credits for June and August graduation activities.

A recent election resulted in the installation of Carroll Nelson, President; Bill Prentiss, Vice-President; Don Robinson, Secretary; Bob Pearson, Treasurer; C. O. Hinderer, Sentinel; and Dick DeBaugh, Rushing Chairman. Van Gong-aware will supervise pledge training, and Don Robinson will direct social activities.

Professional and honorary fraternities are well represented at the Phi Sig house. Bud Reese was recently initiated into Kappa Tau Alpha, national journalism honorary, and Alpha Delta Sigma, professional advertising fraternity. Fred Hubbell and Harry Gotti are members of Phi Mu Alpha, professional music fraternity.

A recent social event was an exchange dinner with the Alpha Sigs, where some of the participants exhibited heretofore undisclosed talents. Worthy of particular comment were Dick DeBaugh's emotional lament and Joe Buscemi's exhibition. Joe, Phi Sig varsity end, competed with Alpha Sig's varsity center, Lou Levanti, in cracking an egg by blowing through holes punched in both ends.

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### KAPPA DEUTERON

#### Georgia School of Technology

With the start of the winter quarter, the brothers of Kappa Deuteron rolled up their sleeves to put the finishing touches on our new club room. A preview of our future activities is much brighter now that we can operate from a place of our own.

Social functions have been practically nil up to the present but now that we have solved the housing shortage, several get-togethers are in the planning stage.

We feel sure that the parties planned by our honorable vice-president, "Red" Jackson, will continue to be phenomenally successful.

Kappa Deuteron is also becoming more active in local campus affairs. President Bill Henesley and Pete Peters, keeper of records, are members of the Bulldog Club. Brothers Bob Andrews and Bill Geisler are stars of the varsity wrestling team.

Bill Henesley has been wandering about since the Christmas vacation with a happily dazed expression and without a pin. We think the pin and object of Bill's attention is in Oklahoma but we haven't been fortunate enough to meet her yet.

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### CHI DEUTERON

#### Washington State College

Washington State College campus really sat up and took notice last year when the Phi Sig steam roller started on its post-war trek to become "the" house on the campus. This year seems an even better one and as the fall semester comes to a finish a summary of some (it would be impossible to include all) of the things that Chi Deuteron has done this year is by all means appropriate.

#### *Sports*

Dean Rumburg finished his third year of varsity football and really did a beautiful job of playing. Norry Pearson won his major "W" in varsity swimming last spring after chalking up a number of firsts for the WSC squad. Bob Kittleson also claimed a major "W" for some fine work on the tennis courts. Another major "W" was earned (the hard way) on the wrestling mats by Dean "Curley" Allen. Jim Aylward is giving out with some hard punches in his second year on the varsity boxing squad. Jim did some wonderful work in the ring last year and in spite of a swollen nose is looking in top shape for this year. Tom Forland, our boy from Norway, is planning on some more "sailing through the air" as

number one jumper on the varsity ski team. Tom had bad luck last year when a chest cold put him in the hospital for most of the second semester.

The frosh football squad had its share of Phi Sigs with Don Arwine, Chuck Lust, and John Rawley getting their first taste of the college gridiron. Rawley jumped from football right into basketball and is making his share of points on the scoreboard. Lloyd Schmick is also making a name for himself on the frosh basketball team.

The Phi Sigs are making a good showing this year in intramural sports. Some good players have been turning out for intramural basketball and with some close teamwork have come home the victors in most of their games. The group looks as promising for other intramurals which will soon be coming up.

Eddie McKown got his letter as sophomore football manager. Jerry Morris is manager for basketball and Don Arwine is wrestling manager.

Perhaps not so much a physical sport but a thing that is as important and takes as much work as any is the art of debating. Stan Thompson made the varsity debate team and according to some "talk" is doing a class A job. For sports in general the Phi Sigs have a well balanced group.

#### *Activities*

The Grey "W" Club, an organization of varsity lettermen, has its share of Phi Sigs with Dean Allen, Norry Pearson, Dean Rumburg and Bob Kittleson all taking an active part. Vern Jaquish and Leo Jensen were tapped for Crimson Circle, the senior men's honorary. Clyde Morrell, the voice of the house, did some very outstanding work as the "Sheriff of Nottingham" in the opera "Robin Hood." This year Clyde is directing the Lamp-lighters Chorus and Orchestra, the music makers for the State College radio station, KWSC. In the last class elections, Dean Rumburg was elected President of

the junior class. Vern Jaquish is senior Greek man on the Board of Control and is doing an outstanding job. Louie Black was chosen Regimental Commander of the Reserve Officers Training Corps. Norry Pearson was elected President of Alpha Phi Omega, the national scouting



CLYDE MORRELL

service fraternity, Hank Baeson was elected President of Alpha Phi Sigma, police science honorary, Leo Jensen was elected President of Alpha Zeta, agricultural honorary, and Vern Jaquish, President of Alpha Kappa Psi, national business fraternity. Many of the group have dusted off their slats and are taking advantage of their membership in WSC's active Ski Club.

There seems to be activities enough to keep us busy all the time, yet there are times when things get a little dull and we have to make up a few activities of our own. Last fall the Phi Sigs found enough instruments and enough players to form a rally band and lead the campus to many pep rallies. The Phi Sig quartet

boasts at least two performances in each women's living group on the campus. Just recently the Phi Sigma Kappa brass quartet made its first appearance on the hill.

### *Lost?*

Last summer proved to be disastrous for the Phi Sigma Kappa group when



The Phi Sig Quartet — From left to right: Bob Meineke, Hal Herman, Clyde Morrell and (the darkie) Stan Thompson.

seven of its brothers found married life more becoming than life here in the house. Last fall, Brother Black disappeared for a week-end and much to the surprise of the boys, showed up a married man. The idea must have been catching for a few weeks later Brother Coleman did nearly the same thing. Brother Jackson also left the house to exchange vows with fiancé Betty Ann Jensen the 14th of February. The house turned out en masse to witness the ceremony. Brothers Dean Allen and Dale Martin, President, are planning weddings in June.

### *Social Affairs*

When a swell bunch of fellows start to do a job they usually do a swell job. So it was with the pledge dance. The

theme was "Christmas Carol" with every inch of the house decorated to tell the heart-warming story. The two-door entrance was a duplicate of the cover and first page of the attractive programs. Green and silver fir boughs blended perfectly with silhouettes of carolers and tiny figurines. A crackling fire in the huge fireplace cast a warming light on frost-coated windows. A huge cake of carved ice, illuminated with blue light and centered among red carnations, white chrysanthemums and sprays of huckleberry served to hold some very tasty punch. Cookies and cakes helped to make a perfect dance even more perfect.

Dad's Day, an all-campus function when dads come from far and wide to be entertained by their kids, proved to be everybody's day at the Phi Sig house. Dads, mothers, sisters, brothers, friends, alums and even a few unidentified people enjoyed the huge smorgasbord party that ended the day.

An evening meal and an afternoon tea gave the group two chances to choose the most attractive of twenty-one co-eds as Chi Deuteron's candidate for the Moonlight Girl.

Most chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa give an annual Christmas party for underprivileged kids. Chi Deuteron did the same except the kids were anything but underprivileged. Besides that, all the fraternities decided to do the good deed so the loot was split—three kids per house. Perhaps it wasn't as large an affair as most chapters had but the true Phi Sig spirit was there and fun was had by all.

An informal smorgasbord party was enjoyed by Phi Sigs and their dates and many alums and friends just prior to finals. Though the smorgasbord is slightly more expensive than a regular meal, the fun that goes with having it is well worth the extra cost.

This year Chi Deuteron has incorporated a system whereby a house mother



CHI DEUTERON'S PLEDGES AND DATES AT THE PLEDGE DANCE

comes for all social functions, Saturday nights, and Sunday afternoons, making it possible to have dates at the house during that time. After all, there is no place like home and most of the fellows enjoy staying there, especially if they can have their dates with them.

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### EPSILON TRITON The American University

By WILLIAM A. AIKIN

After scanning pages 14, 15 and 16 of the January issue of the SIGNET we discovered that the Moonlight Girl Contest was going to be a *real* contest. Among those beautiful faces it is going to be difficult to find a winner. Not because there isn't a winner among them; they are all winners. Let's see now . . . should we vote for Two or possibly Three? Or

should it be Nine, Twelve or Sixteen? Just how is a fellow expected to find a winner when he can't make a choice. Guess we might just as well take a pencil and drop it somewhere among the beautiful throng and wherever it falls our choice is called. Did you have trouble, too?

### *Elections*

Quarterly elections were held in January. The results were: Mike Katen, President; George Wohlgemuth, Vice-President; McKinley Luther, Secretary; Bill Binswanger, Treasurer; John Briggs, Sentinel; and Al Gross, Inductor.

### *Socials*

Our first post-Christmas party was held at a lodge in Alexandria, Virginia. It was an informal party, and from all we have heard about it one would gather that it was a successful party. We're

not trying to break an arm, but . . . well . . . it seems that Epsilon Triton is always being complimented for its excellent parties; whether formal or informal. We're happy too! . . . The Inter-Fraternity Dance was finally held February 27. at the Wardman Park Hotel. Usually held before Christmas, the conflicting of dates with other affairs compelled its being postponed until later. It was worth waiting for.

### *Pledges*

From all indications we will be able to initiate about twenty of the thirty-four pledges from the present class. A good average we think. The handling of such a large pledge class was a new experience for Epsilon Triton, and many new angles were approached and worked out. We discovered that there are many problems involved in such an undertaking. We are well pleased with the men we have chosen.

### *Miscellany*

Brother Binswanger has taken the plunge. Under the section, Chapter Hymeneal, you will find the details . . . Harry Spaulding, a member of the recent pledge class, was initiated January 31. He has transferred to the University of Michigan and was initiated just before entraining for Ann Arbor . . . Brother Dean Carter was a visitor at the chapter house during exam week. Brother Dean is studying for his Master's at the University of Indiana . . . Carl and Shirley Patterson have an addition to their family. We don't know the details . . . the statistics that is . . . but they will be forthcoming . . . The television set is a drawing attraction at the house. Each week-end finds more and more gatherings to view the many programs presented . . . Plans for the coming Carnation Ball are in the formulative stage. Eta, Lambda and Epsilon Triton combine their efforts each year to make the affair a success. This year it should be even bigger and better than those in the past . . . Brother

Bill Aikin was initiated into Pi Delta Epsilon, national journalistic fraternity.

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## **NU DEUTERON** **Stanford University**

*By* GORDON LEVY

When rushing season comes to the campus, you can bet your bottom dollar that the Phi Sigs will be in there pitching. If you wagered this year, you can collect right now, for Nu Deuteron pledged 13 young hopefuls during the formal rush season in January.

Coupled with four pledges from the fall, we can boast a record 17 for this year. They are Joe and Dalt Paxman, John "Buttons" Del Favero, John Ullman, Floyd West, Charlie Gutentag, Sal Colletto, Dave Allen, Wally Flitter, Lloyd Westphal, Ken Schwartz, Hal Campen, Jim Floro, Norm Miller, Bob Bernstein, Eddie Leon and Ollie Campbell.

A beer party staged on the mountain-side gave the new pledges a good indication of things to come as the actives toyed with the pledges in a baseball game, finally winning, 15-10, between refreshment periods. Starring for the actives were Walt "Peddles" Kane, the fastest man on the base paths, and "Ole Dad" Ray Pascoe, the house athletic director.

Doug Crawford, displaying his professional form, twirled for the actives while Moe "Fumbles" Moser held down the initial bag. Rounding out the powerhouse squad were Jack "Songster" Goree, Jimmy Phillips, "Cactus" Meredith, Dirk Eisinga, Bob Cook and Paul "Spider" Theobald, the confectioneer.

Sal Colletto, a prospect for Stanford's frosh diamond team, divided his time between third and pitcher's box when he wasn't lining out to the pitcher.

The pledges, aided by Dick Moore of the actives, gained some form of respite by pasting the actives, 20-6, in a post-season grid game on the same afternoon.

Social Chairman Bill Campbell, a refu-



gee from the pre-medical department, is dragging some skeletons out of the closet in the form of a pledge dance to be held on Friday, the 13th of February. Bill has not said if he will carry a lucky coin along just for safety.

Phi Sig alumni are quickly becoming famous. Art Levinson, ex-SIGNET correspondent, took over as publicity director for the San Diego Padres of the Pacific Coast Baseball League. Bill Campbell is heading for John Hopkins Medical School and Ev "Housebuilder" Young says he is going to roam the world on two bits.

Dave "Lenny" Erickson, having eaten the house out of food, is now cooking on his own between killing rabbits.

Dwight Morrow, a transfer last fall from Beta Triton, is quickly taking the card dealing prowess left behind by Sam Galbreath, a local chef with a yen for tomato soup. Morrow's position as chief card dealer is being challenged, however, by Alex Chappel.

At last count, 24 automobiles were lined up outside the house as compared to 35 members living in the house. The most unfortunate car-owner seems to be Jack West, who has seen everything from smashed trunks to crushed windshields inflicted on his maroon 1947 Oldsmobile.

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## RHO DEUTERON

Gettysburg College

By ALVIN S. RUDISILL

As this correspondent staggered under the impact of final exams, he managed to open one eye sufficiently to recognize a SIGNET deadline approaching. However, if a conjugation or calculus problem appears in this resume of the first semester's activities here at Rho Deuteron, please ignore it.

The fall semester opened in September with 1250 aspiring students on campus, the largest enrollment in Gettys-

burg College history. While the college was pondering crowded conditions, the house received a "face-lifting" job. Under the capable guidance of the House Manager, Brother Julius "Caesar" Tondat, the first floor was completely repainted, repapered, and new furniture



Ferenc Nagy (center, facing camera), ex-Premier of Hungary who was ousted from his office through Communistic pressure, is pictured here during his visit to Rho Deuteron after telling the students of Gettysburg College about the political conditions of his native country. His son, Ferenc Jr., who acted as interpreter for his father, is seated opposite his father with his back to the camera.

was purchased for the two lounge rooms. We are quite proud of the handsome appearance of the house since this work was finished.

Shortly after the opening of college, the brothers sallied forth into a field of 300 freshmen and returned with 12 neophytes as Phi Sig pledges. A social function honoring these 12 men was held on October 11th. Pledges, brothers, and their dates enjoyed an informal outing with a hayride to Osoga Lodge, the college cabin, followed by a dance in the house that evening.

November 1st marked the most successful Homecoming Day in our history. Alumni rooted the G-Burg Bullets to a 7-0 victory over the Bucknell Bisons in the afternoon. After the game, 140 brothers, alumni, and wives were served at a candlelight dinner. As soon as all had been served, the dining room was cleared and dancing to Don Troestle's Orchestra was enjoyed by all. The din-

ing room was beautifully decorated with alumni Homecoming and Halloween as the combined theme. Garlands of orange and blue formed a roofing around the edges of the room and ghosts haunted each corner and window. Full credit for such a successful day should be given to the Alumni Committee headed by Brother Bob Nemeschy assisted by Brothers Otley, Hippensteel, Ott, and Sliver.

Fathers invaded the house en masse on November 15th for the first post-war Father's Day. Fathers and sons braved the elements to watch the Bullets defeat St. Lawrence University on a field that bore a strong resemblance to the St. Lawrence River. Fathers were further entertained in the evening with a meeting in Eddie Plank gymnasium, and by "smokers" in the respective fraternity houses.

Rho Deuteron had the privilege of being host to Ferenc Nagy, ex-premier of Hungary, and his son, Ferenc, who acted

as his interpreter. Mr. Nagy possesses a first-hand knowledge of the situation in southeastern Europe and presented an inspiring address to the student body.

Mr. Nagy's articles have appeared in many national publications.

From early December the house buzzed with a drone of activity which finally culminated in the Christmas house party on December 12th and 13th. Everyone in the house worked hard, led by Social Chairman Jack Houser, to present a dance week-end that will long be remembered. The dance floor gained the appearance of an old English square with houses, shops, and a tavern decorated in the Christmas theme. The outside of the house showed Santa Claus and his reindeer on the roof. Les Mitchner and his "Bucknellians" provided the dance music inside, while amplified carols greeted our guests on the outside.

Immediately before the Christmas vacation, the brotherhood was deeply grieved with the news of the death of Dr. Stewart



RHO DEUTERON CHAPTER HOUSE DECORATED FOR CHRISTMAS HOUSEPARTY

W. Herman, Rho Deuteron '99. Thirty-five brothers journeyed to Harrisburg to pay their respects to a man whose devotion to Phi Sigma Kappa and to this chapter will long be remembered.

Phi Sigs were well represented in college sports this past semester. Pledge Brothers Speaker, Unger, and Neff were stellar performers on the freshman football team. Brothers Hippensteel and Gleichman performed on the varsity soccer team while Pledge Brother Ortel secured a berth on the freshman team. Brother Hippensteel was invited to try-outs for the Olympic soccer team. Brother Erle Diehl '47, an instructor in the college chemistry department, was coach of the freshman soccer team. Pledge Brother "Red" Lewis is a member of the varsity basketball quintet.

Present officers of the chapter are: President, William McKendry; Vice-President, Jack Houser; Secretary, Norman Cessna; Treasurer, Thomas Lescalleet; Sentinel, Alvin Rudisill; Inductor, Sidney Ehrhart.

This sums up the activities which have thus far made this year a glamorous one for Gettysburg and especially Rho Deuteron Chapter.

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### BETA TRITON Knox College

By DON KOTITE

Ready but reluctant to "hit the books" once more, the brothers of Beta Triton said goodbye to happy vacation days and returned to Knox for a full season of activities and work. Despite the bitter cold winds and frequent snow flurries, the Phi Sigs braced themselves for the new and promising Winter Quarter.

Two weeks of second term rushing started the Phi Sig ball rolling again, at the end of which Beta Triton inducted six excellent men into formal pledgship, Saturday, January 17th. Now sporting the pledge pin are George Duff and Fred

Steller, Galesburg, Ill. Don Emery, Amboy, Ill.; Bryce Larsen, Worth, Ill.; Pete Park, Rushville, Ill.; and Bob Seeley, Freeport, Illinois. In honor of these new neophytes and last quarter's pledges, a gala stag smoker was thrown in the house lounge Saturday night, January 24th. Card tables were set up for the Beta Triton "card sharks," and the whole troop of Phi Sigs were treated to cokes and various refreshments. As the delicious highlight of the evening, the social chairman prepared a huge sugar-cured Virginia ham to satisfy the appetites of fifty hungry men.

Over the Christmas holidays, Brother Dick Janke became engaged to Janie Kemper, a Phi Mu senior at Knox. Also in that department, "Mel" Castell parted with his pin to Audrey Goransen, a sophomore of DePauw University.

At the beginning of the new quarter, a new set of officers was elected to take the reins for the coming season. The present gavel-wielder is Will Weber, assisted by Will Wollman as Vice-President. Other officers are Don Kotite, Secretary; Ted Parker, Treasurer; Hugh Watson, Inductor; and Glenn LeFevre, Sentinel.

Finally breathing a sigh of welcome relief at the end of a quarter's pledgship and a rugged "Hell Week," seven men were initiated into the ranks of Beta Triton on Monday, February 2nd. Those exchanging their pledge pins for the Phi Sig jewel are Ralph Beebe, of Wilmette, Ill.; James Calamari, Rockford, Ill.; Fred Fletcher, Yeadon, Penna.; James Horath, Elmwood Park, Ill.; Don Kowalski, Chicago, Ill.; Bob Ryder, Henry, Ill.; and Bill Sinclair, of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Following the initiation ceremonies in the house chapter room, the new initiates were honored by their pledge fathers at a banquet in the Hotel Custer, Galesburg.

Four Beta Tritonites, Glenn LeFevre, Will Weber, Will Wollman, and "Fritz" Eaton, have earned the distinction of be-

coming members in good standing of the "Tyrants," a newly-organized pep club at Knox. Formed to promote louder cheers and better all-round school spirit at football and basketball games, the "Tyrants" have done a commendable job in capturing much confidence and eager enthusiasm on the part of the students.

We are all eagerly anticipating the date of March 15th, for it not only signifies the 75th anniversary of the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa, but this year it means a banquet and celebration sponsored by Beta Triton Chapter. Delegates have been invited down from Alpha Deuteron of Illinois and Delta Triton of Purdue University, with all indications pointing to a highly successful Founders' Day celebration.

Against a background enhanced by the solid strains of George Hoffman's orchestra, Phi Sigs and their dates can expect a whale of a time at the forthcoming Winter Formal. The festive affair will be held at the Oak Room of the local Galesburg Club, and is to be preceded by a dinner. Everything promises to turn out as a gala occasion, for this dinner-dance will mark the first one of its kind given by Beta Triton since a few years before the war.

In the field of sports, varsity and intramural, many Phi Sigs have shown themselves as worthy competitors. Both Dick Miller and "Fritz" Eaton, guards on this year's varsity cage squad, have proven to be invaluable to the team in speed, ball-handling, and shooting.

Jack Carlson, last quarter's president, represents Beta Triton on the varsity swimming team, while freshman Ralph Beebe has been nominated for the all-Knox freshman swim squad.

Staunchly determined to cop this year's intramural ping-pong crown, five of our top-notch players have already established a three won, one lost record. With but a few games remaining on the schedule, the Phi Sigs have an excellent chance to walk off with victory laurels!

The intramural basketball program at Knox finds two Phi Sigs claiming second and third honors in the high score for a single game department. Runner-up in the cage tilts is Ralph "Hoops" Plantenga, with 20 tallies racked up against the Independents, while Don "Dead-eye" Ash holds down third place by virtue of his 18 points in the Phi Sig-Phi Delt clash.

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## DELTA DEUTERON University of Michigan

By DICK RAPPLEY

Activity at the Phi Sig house has been somewhat limited the past few weeks with the chief deterrents a two-week Christmas vacation and a final-exam period of the same length at the end of January. Still, it hasn't been entirely quiet for the new semester was welcomed in with all the gayety of the annual J-Hop week-end (February 6-7), preceded at the house by extensive redecoration.

J-hop, traditionally Michigan's biggest affair of the year, was no exception this time. Delta Deuteron warmed up for Saturday's formal dance with a house-party Friday night, while events of the following night included dinner and an early-morning breakfast sandwiching the hop. The J-hop crowd was treated to the music of Tommy Dorsey and Sonny Dunham, a couple of the nation's top music-makers.

About fifty couples participated in Saturday's Phi Sig doings, and more than thirty took part Friday in a glorified record-dance. John Swanson was in charge of J-hop arrangements and Phil Burton, new social chairman, and his committee whipped Friday's party into shape.

More important than actual party arrangements was the work that preceded the week-end as the whole house pitched in on a big redecoration project. When the laborers called a halt, a brightening transformation had taken place

throughout the downstairs and in the basement. The basement "rec" room was done in knotty pine—the pledge class' contribution to the house.

Except for the record dance early in January, J-hop was the first social fling of the new year and the first opportunity for extensive merrymaking since before Christmas. The final week before Christmas vacation was marked by a very successful pledge formal—with stars and comets and Saturns spangling the ceilings—and the annual house Christmas party. The latter event started with an afternoon egg-nog party with about thirty faculty guests and it also included an exchange of gifts (the ridiculous kind), much "home-made" poetry (mostly bad), and a pledge play (ridiculous—but not so bad).

Most of the other news is of the personal type. Included on January's calendar was the wedding in Lansing of Bill Gross, a Phi Sig in school here last year, and Joey MacKenzie, a Lansing girl affiliated with Zeta Tau Alpha when she was in school. Jim Jameson's engagement marked the J-hop week-end and two more brothers, John Swanson and Bill Haberman, came back from Christmas vacationing with cigars and without pins. Hugh Allerton accomplished the same thing in mid-January.

To conclude, some miscellaneous items associated with the beginning of the new semester: (1) The house personnel underwent a slight revision and one of the changes brought another transfer from Epsilon Triton at American University. He is Harry Spaulding. (2) Concentrated preparation for the interfraternity sing scheduled in May got under way under the direction of Brother Don Hostetler, baritone soloist at a recent university concert. (3) Plans affecting the fraternity organization itself were being made as initiation of pledges, rushing, election of officers, and Founders' Day celebration all were issues.

We'll have more on these latter subjects when May rolls around. See you then.

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### ALPHA TRITON Wesleyan University

By JOHN A. WATERHOUSE, JR.

The brothers of Alpha Triton Chapter did some fine cramming in the two weeks between the time they returned from the Christmas vacation and the beginning of the mid-year examination period. Most of the boys made the grade, although some were sharply made to realize that with the great increase in the number of applications for admission to the college, the administration expects an increasingly serious attitude towards study on the part of those already enrolled.

On February 7th, the first week-end after the beginning of the new semester, the following men were formally initiated into the chapter: Napoleon Callasky, Charles Culver, Arthur DeGraff, Douglas Hofe, David Prescott, Charles Prohaska, Fred Sloat, and Robert Stewart. A banquet was served in the dining hall after the initiation ceremony, and for the rest of the evening and until well into the morning the new brothers were toasted on their good fortune in being admitted to membership in Phi Sigma Kappa.

At the half time of the Wesleyan-Norwich basketball game on February 6th, it was announced that Brother Jack Cowan had been elected by the college body as Vice-President of the Christian Association for the new semester.

The interfraternity basketball schedule has been resumed after the mid-year examination period, and Captain Bob Stevens' boys are showing excellent teamwork on the court. With only one defeat, Phi Sig is still in the running and hopes to repeat last year's victory as league champions and this year to win the school championship.

An informal Valentine's Day dance was held at the chapter house on Saturday, February 14th. This being leap year, by special order from St. Valentine every girl was privileged to propose marriage to her date; and for every proposal rejected she was entitled to administer one swat with a paddle. Several paddles, several rear ends, and several friendships were broken; and so far there have been no new wives presented to the eating club. Seems as if all the single men intend to remain that way.

The whole student body at Wesleyan is looking forward to the Junior Prom, the music for which will be provided by Claude Thornhill and his band. An informal dance at the house is planned for the first night of the two-night party. "Colonel" Beaton, Commanding Officer in Charge of Liquor Pools, promises to surpass his previous success at keeping the machinery of the party well oiled.

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### LAMBDA DEUTERON University of Washington

With the initiation of twelve pledges Sunday, January 25th, Lambda Deuteron now boasts an active membership of 49. The newly added brothers are Dick Berg, Doug Campbell, Keith Hulse, Tom Martin, Homer Smith, Ralph Monaghan, Dallis Perry, Jack Russ, Fred Dean, Gene Anderson, Dick Gordon, and Ed East. During the week preceding the ceremony, the pledge class displayed remarkable versatility while performing the tasks planned by the initiation committee — last spring's class of initiates. Breakfast in the Black and White Room of the Hotel Edmund Meany followed the formal part of the initiation Sunday morning. Sunday afternoon the initiates were honored at a tea dance held at the chapter house.

Elected to lead the chapter during the winter quarter were Phil Campbell, President; Gerald Deery, Vice-President; Ger-

ald Love, Secretary; Dick Odell, Treasurer; Folke Olson, Sentinel; and Leo Sharkey, Inductor. L. B. Ludford is ably serving as chapter adviser, George Crosta as house manager, Dick Maxwell as pledge trainer, and Pat Hagen as rushing chairman.

Highlighting the winter social calendar was the Winter Formal, held February 28 at the Seattle D. A. R. Hall. A costume dance, the "Shipwreck Shuffle" held November 15, was the pledge class's social contribution. Other social events of the chapter have included exchanges with Zeta Tau Alpha, Phi Mu, Kappa Delta, Delta Zeta, and Alpha Omicron Pi, and several informal firesides and friendship dinners.

Phi Sigma Kappa is well represented at Washington in campus activities. Exercising his journalistic talents, Folke "Tiger" Olson is serving as president of the Seattle Junior Advertising Club, vice-president of Alpha Delta Sigma, men's national advertising honorary, and on the Associated Students University of Washington publications board. Leo Sharkey is also a member of Alpha Delta Sigma and of the *University of Washington Daily* business staff.

The Malamutes, men's service honorary, claims Pat Hagen as an active member. In addition, Pat is serving on the Sophomore Council and, with Brothers Don Dorfner and Bob Thomsen, on the sophomore activities committee. Don also worked as decorations chairman for the sophomore class "Twin Dance."

Passing the C. P. A. examination prompted Frank Sincock to fulfill his promise of passing cigars if such an event ever occurred.

President Phil Campbell stepped into University politics long enough to act as parliamentarian for the A.S.U.W. assemblies committee.

Ralph Monaghan served on the scholarship committee of the Inter-fraternity Council, as well as being elected treas-

urer of the Junior IFC. Ralph and Lloyd Pugh are both members of Toastmasters, International, Lloyd serving as treasurer of the local chapter.

Other honoraries to which Phi Sigs were elected include Pan Xenia, a foreign trade honorary, of which George Crosta is now a member, and Alpha Phi Omega, which pledged Fred Jones. Fred is also a member of the University debate team.

A Phi Sig quartette of Al Coles, Gene Anderson, Fred Jones, and Fred Dean, with Paul Michaels at the piano, entertained the Washington Newspaper Association's annual convention with some appropriate music and nonsense.

The pledges and actives battled each other to a scoreless tie in a touch football game held one muggy January afternoon in the "Soup Bowl." No one was outstanding for either team. No one could run in the mud.

Dudley Moore, Lloyd Pugh, Hank Toellner, Dick Holm, and Frank Sincok are presently scorching the alleys in an attempt to bring the bowling trophy to the house for a return visit.

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### PI DEUTERON Ohio State University

By DAN GARST

Four of our men have been invited to the Sphinx Recognition dinner for prominent men on the Ohio State campus. Sphinx is the senior men's honorary fraternity. Those invited are: John Defourny, Gordon Bricker, Ken Diehl and Hierbert Buerger.

John Defourny and John Pfahl both received an all-A average for their work during the fall quarter. Defourny is a senior in the College of Education. He was recently initiated into Kappa Phi Kappa, national honorary fraternity for education, and was also given a recognition key for being an outstanding member of the Education Council. Pfahl, a graduate student from Penn State, is

working on his master's degree in Business Administration.

Two weeks ago, our chapter assumed the task of selling BMOC magazines (Big Magazine On Campus). For having sold more magazines than any other group, we shall receive in the next issue a two-page spread covering our Moonlight Girl Contest. The following issue will contain the story and pictures of the reactivation of Pi Deuteron, and its growth since that time.

John Imhoff, a junior in the Education College has been asked to join the Education College Council. John is majoring in Occupational Therapy.

The only brother to leave the chapter at the end of this quarter will be Dan Garst. Brother Garst was one of the five members who helped in the reactivation of Pi Deuteron and has taken an active part in all of the fraternity's activities. He will graduate March 19, 1948, with a major in Air Transportation from the College of Commerce and Administration.

Our chapter served as host to Bucket and Dipper, junior men's honorary fraternity, at their monthly meeting for February. Several of the honoraries have held their meetings at the chapter house. We feel that it is an honor to let them use our facilities.

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### LAMBDA George Washington University

By DAVE MANCINI

Lambda had just settled down to the steady pace of mid-term exams when the Christmas holidays came upon us. December 19th, the last day of classes at George Washington U., found the chapter house decorated in holly and pine for the Christmas Ball that evening. The dance was all that everyone expected, and its success was attributed to the excellent planning of Brothers George Hook, Pete Repak, and Dave Lum who as co-chair-



Lambda Chapter and the Kappa Alpha Theta Chapter of George Washington University caroling Georgetown University the week before Christmas.

men did a fine job of organizing the various committees.

Those actives and pledges who remained in town during the holidays were invited by members of the Mothers' and Wives' Club to various homes of parents living in Washington.

New Year's Eve was celebrated in true Phi Sig fashion by the brothers at George Washington. The affair was declared extremely successful by all present, and we were happy to see so many alumni with us. We were especially honored to have as our guest Brother William Barrett Fuchs, director of Region III. Again classes were resumed, and again the necessary concentration for final exams curtailed any immediate entertainment.

This semester rush program was started with a stag smoker at the house. The second event was an inter-fraternity smoker at which skits were presented by the various fraternity pledge classes. Phi Sigs placed second with a well-prepared pantomime. Saturday evening Phi Sigs donned patched blue-jeans and brogans in honor of the "Tobacco Road Ball" at which Miss Robbie Robertson of Delta Zeta was chosen "Miss Nicotine of 1948." The decorations arranged by Brothers Robert Dentz and Bill Collins, the hill-billy band, and the picturesque costumes gave the rush party a unique and spirited air. A semi-formal dance high-lighted the current rush season at which a sweetheart pin was presented to Miss Lynn Matteson, our Moonlight Girl. Miss Matteson, who is president

of Kappa Tlpha Theta at the university, will be graduated in June. The men at Lambda will feel a distinct loss at her leaving. She has contributed immeasurably to the success of all our functions.

Special thanks are in order to Brother Bill Collins and his wife who did an



Left to right: Brother Roy Hower, Miss Robbie Robertson, DZ, Pledge Bob Craft, at "The Tobacco Road Ball." Miss Robertson has just been elected "Miss Nicotine of 1948."

excellent job in planning and coordinating the details of our rush program.

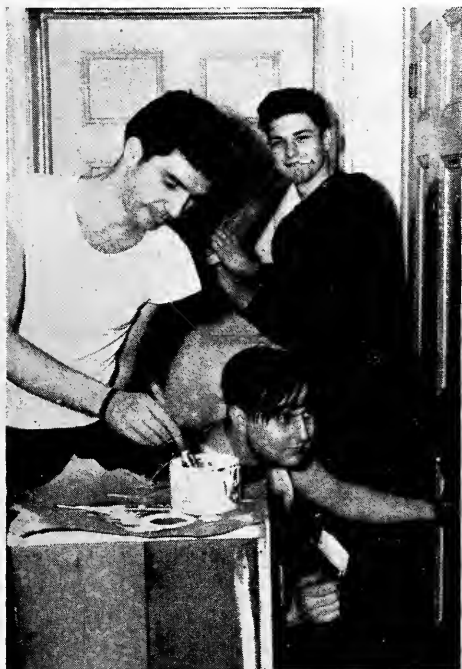
After taking second place in the inter-fraternity football league, Lambda Chapter added another cup to its collection by taking first place in the ping pong league. Under the direction of Brother Harvy Prince, athletic chairman, we are looking forward to an equally successful basketball season.

Brothers Jack Cound, Dick Harmstone, and Bill Price have returned to George Washington after serving in the armed forces. Brother Bob McCutchen visited the chapter while on leave from the U. S. Military Academy, West Point, N. Y.

A very productive work week was



climaxed by the formal initiation of the following men: Oscar V. Will, Sykesville, Maryland; Harold M. Hart, Jr., Barrington, Illinois; Richard L. Borden, Washington, D. C.; Howard C. Paul, Arlington, Virginia; John W. Gilroy, New York, New York; Richard G. O'-



Left to right: Pledges Val Dadamio, Jim Jones and Brother Bert Freese, during Work Week.

Brien, Washington, D. C.; James W. Crowley, Washington, D. C.; Leonard J. Grant, New York, New York.

The chapter selected Brother Oscar V. Will as "The Prize Pledge."

Under the direction of Brother Bob McCosky, social chairman plans are in progress for the joint "Carnation Ball" between Eta, Epsilon Triton, and Lambda Chapters, to be held some time in April. If present plans materialize it promises to be the outstanding social event of the season.

## GAMMA

### Cornell University

In the short time since the last report to The SIGNET, Gamma has accomplished a great deal socially and scholastically. Eleven men, Robert E. Dowling, Jay A. Fuhro, Henry D. Harford, Bertram Lebhar III, Bruce A. Lentz, Hugh P. McGeehan, William A. Robertson, Robert H. Siegfried, Jr., Edgar R. Taylor, Jr., Bruce H. Welsh, and Douglas A. Young, have been pledged, and the class has shown excellent spirit, both in work connected with the house, and activities on campus. Jay Fuhro earned the nickname "Old Reliable" as End on the freshman football team. The team was the best Cornell has seen in many years, and the fact that Jay was able to play regularly despite the severe competition indicates that a bright gridiron future is in store for him. Bert Lebhar is another Gamma contribution to Cornell frosh sports. He shows promise of becoming one of the string of great passers who have provided the scoring punch for the recent Cornell football squads. Bert is also a member of the frosh basketball team and intends to go out for track in the spring. Bob Dowling joined a large group of Phi Sigs who are competing for positions on the crew, while Bruce Welsh and Bruce Lentz spent the fall afternoons working out with the tennis and cross-country squads. Fuhro, Lebhar, and Lentz received their numerals for their work in athletics.

Gamma has continued its program of having a faculty member as guest at dinner each Wednesday night. The program was initiated in order to allow the undergraduates to gain the advantage of informal discussions with the faculty members. The men of Gamma felt that this is especially important at a school the size of Cornell, where often the contact between student and professor is necessarily restricted to the lecture room. Each Wednesday night meeting has proved an

invaluable addition to the college experiences of the men of Gamma, and the program has been commended by all the guests.

Charles Love "Bull" Durham, Professor Emeritus in the College of Arts and Sciences, visited Gamma on October 29. Professor Durham has been at Cornell since 1897 and has a full and complete knowledge of the background and traditions of Cornell, the things which are so important to every school. On November 12 Liberty Hyde Bailey, Professor Emeritus of the Agricultural College, came to Gamma for dinner. Professor Bailey has been at Cornell longer than any other person, and is one of the aggressive, intelligent, colorful gentlemen who helped mold the young university. Other speakers have been: Arthur S. Adams, then Provost of Cornell University and now President of the University of New Hampshire, Emmett Murphy, Alumni Secretary of Cornell, Father Cleary, Catholic chaplain on campus, and John Thurber, Professor in the New York School of Industrial and Labor Relations. All the guests have been interesting and instructive, and the program for the spring term promises to keep up the good record.

Scholastically Gamma has remained near the top of the list of fraternities and sororities. There are seventy fraternities and sororities at Cornell and the academic average of the Gamma men ranked fifth in the announcement made by the university in December.

On Friday, January 23, Gamma held a banquet in honor of its February graduates: Robert M. Griswold, Ryland H. Hewitt, Jr., Frederick L. Ludden, James K. Mann, Ronald McCulloch, and James A. Yeransian. The affair began with a cocktail party given by Robert Griswold, at which the prospective graduates were able to enjoy the companionship of their classmates for the last time as undergraduates. Following the banquet, Lieutenant

Colonel A. N. Slocum, of the Cornell R.O.T.C. unit, gave an inspiring talk, and as the evening drew to a close the men of Gamma realized that a fine tradition had been set for subsequent graduating classes.

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## OMEGA

University of California

By WARREN SCHOONOVER

Omega Chapter has had a very successful social calendar this fall semester. The pledges gave their semi-annual pledge dance on the 6th of December. The chapter house was made over into a Mississippi River boat and a jazz band beat out the rhythm throughout the voyage. All the Southern Gentlemen and their Ladies were there in their full glory while black-faced, Pledge President Doug Pryne and his date were there to greet the many passengers. The whole evening was a great success and we are proud that our pledges put on such a fine dance.

To bring the fall social calendar to an end we held our Christmas Formal at the chapter house on the 20th of December. The house was decorated with a lighted tree above the door and a spotlighted Santa with sleigh and reindeer atop the roof. With a bright fire in the fireplace and a visit from Santa, the night was topped off with a midnight dinner prepared by our Mothers' Club.

The officers for the spring semester are as follows: President, Charles Babcock; Vice-President, Howard Smith; Secretary, Lloyd Morgan; Treasurer, "Hammer" Warren; Inductor, Johnny Toellner; Sentinel, Clint King. Brother Don O'Malley, retiring house president, has been appointed Chairman of Orientations Council. Brother Ed Philips has been elected to the Inter-Fraternity Honor Society. Only two brothers are graduating from the fall semester, Brothers Lew Kimball and Frank Podesta. Brother Kimball was very active in Glee Club

and other campus activities. Brother Podesta, who was chapter vice-president, plans to stay in Berkeley for a while.

Our Mothers' Club has purchased some new tables and lamps for our living room. It is surprising how much a woman's touch will do to make a fraternity house more livable.

Now with finals over, most of the brothers have headed south to Merced to attend Brother George Deane's bachelor dinner and wedding.

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### PHI

#### Swarthmore College

By E. A. BURROUGHS

Phi Chapter lost Brothers Siegle, Snyder and Glucksman through graduation this past semester but gained one active member as Brother Harvey Anderson reentered college. With the pressure of exams now over, and with Brother Bill Ford as the new president, the men of Phi Chapter are once again in the midst of a rush season. The beginning of the spring semester makes eligible for rush-

ing those freshmen who entered college last September. Along with the usual rush functions we have instigated a policy of Sunday afternoon openhouse at which prospective pledges, brothers and friends enjoy bridge and refreshments. Brother Bob Simpson is to be thanked for the driving force behind this plan.

The chapter continues to be well represented in student affairs on campus. Brother Bill Tietz was again elected chairman of the social committee, while John McCutcheon is serving as a member of the student council. Brother Ed Burroughs was elected president of the Engineer's Club and is being ably assisted by Brother Bill Webster, who also was elected to the executive council of that body. Brother Andy Wiel continues as the Head of WRSN, as does Brother Bill Ford, president of the student chapter of ASME.

Winter sports also find Phi Chapter well represented. The varsity wrestling team, captained by Brother John McCutcheon, also includes Brothers Jordan



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Jack and Ed Burroughs. Once again Brother Phil Evans is playing varsity basketball, and Brother Pete Lorch is swimming. Among the early track enthusiasts are Brothers Bob Simpson and Bill Tietz.

The social plans for the spring semester are rapidly taking shape. Tea dances and informal parties are held every week-end and arrangements are underway towards making our formal dance this spring one of the best ever held.

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### DELTA

West Virginia University

By H. PAT RUPERT

As the momentum of the new semester increases Delta is taking all in stride to accomplish many new and better things. Our recent election put Brother Bob Carr at the gavel. Bob is a senior and has already done much for Delta Chapter. Bob Williams took the position of vice-pres and "Mort" Riedel takes the minutes. Jack Snapp is our new sentinel with the previous writer of this column, "Smoky" Grove, as inductor. I would like, at this time, to thank "Smoe" for the wonderful work he has done and for the guidance he has given me in preparing my first report.

Delta has been for some time playing host to the many sororities on the campus, our most recent being Alpha Xi Delta. There were approximately seventy-five couples dancing or "dining" and a good time was had by all. We are now anticipating our next encounter, which will be with Delta Gamma.

The week-end of the fourteenth we are celebrating, but of course, Valentine's Day with a gala event all arrayed with the hearts that mean so much this festive season, leap year.

Brother "Konk" McIntyre has gone the way of all good men, being roped and hog-tied with the cutest little gal you ever saw. I don't believe even "Konk" knew quite what happened. I told you so.

### NU

Lehigh University

By MARIO R. D'ANTONIO

Since Christmas vacation things at the Phi Sig House here have been moving rather slowly. The main attention was focused upon mid-year exams and a high house average. Everyone has been extremely busy learning in one week what they should have learned the whole year. It's a strange fact, but it always happens that way! Somehow things and assignments pile up until exam week, and then there positively can't be any more procrastination. During the week preceding and during the week of exams, there were: no dates, lights in the house every night until daybreak, weary-eyed Phi Sigs, and promises of keeping up on assignments the following semester.

Possibly the only relaxation during this strenuous week of cramming were the midnight "coffee sessions." These are an old institution at Nu. They are carried on as follows. At about 11:30 p. m. representatives of the pledge class hustle down to the kitchen and attempt to make coffee. I say attempt, because sometimes it is not always pleasant to drink. (One night Brother R. E. Burger wanted to make the coffee a little better, and added a pinch of salt. However, his definition of a pinch is one handful.) The steward has bought coffee buns, and the pledges heat these up. Next, at precisely 11:45 p. m. the dinner bell is rung, and every one who has been studying comes down for refreshment and to get some of the stimulant to keep them awake. Originally the idea of having the coffee at this hour was for those men who were going to stay up late. It was supposed to keep them awake. But now almost everyone comes down for some, and many of those who partake of the feast retire to bed immediately after the general bull session that accompanies the coffee drinking.

There is one course that any good en-

gineer from Lehigh will tell you is a humdinger — that is Math 106 (Advanced Calculus). Every electrical and mechanical engineer is expected to take it after having two years of math. Some men have been known to go through their first two years of math with straight A's, and then fall down to a D or F on 106. Many of the brothers were taking that course this last semester, and at times it seemed as though some of them would be ready for the men with the white jackets. But when the score was added up things did not look too bad. Though some of the men did not make the grade the first time, the honor of the house was held up by Brother Phil Ridinger who pulled a B in 106. Ask Phil what he thinks of the course, and he'll answer, "It's a snap."

#### *Odds and Ends Department*

For some time everyone was looking forward to the arrival of a baby boy in Brother John Schumacher's home. There was no question in Brother Schumacher's mind that it would be a boy. Finally it came, and then a new problem faced the house. If a fellow pins a girl, then the girl is honorarily called "sister." But now that the wife of one of the brothers had a child, what should be the correct title for the infant? Perhaps it should be "son," but then he would have thirty odd foster fathers. As yet we have not solved the problem, but Brother Schumacher took no heed and named him John E. Schumacher III.

Speaking of pinnings, to date we have the following men pinned either voluntarily or voluntarily: Brother Robert D. Wallick, Brother Richard N. Ford, Brother Samuel F. Snyder, Brother James M. Bridgman (Brother Bridgman will be married in the near future), and Brother Rudolph E. Burger.

Brothers Jack Glenn and Richard Billiar received their degrees at the last commencement, and have gone their way into the world. Brother Glenn is

located with Bell Telephone at Philadelphia, while Brother Billiar is now with Associated Factory Mutual Fire Insurance Cos.

Brother Walt Chesnut has taken a semester off to relax from the intensive study he has been putting in for the past year and a half. He expects to be with us again next semester.

Brother Samuel F. Snyder has been elected president of the Interfraternity Council at Lehigh University for the term ending next December. Brother Snyder is also president of Nu Chapter.

The popularity of the local chapter with the fairer sex can perhaps be best judged by the chapter's representation at the local girls' schools (viz. Cedar Crest College). We are represented at the local girls' college by Brothers R. D. Wallick, Thomas H. Johnston, and James K. Wilson. Brothers Rudolph E. Burger and William S. Purdy represent us at the more distant schools such as Wilson College.

Brother Wilbur E. Henry, Jr. (Nu '47) informs us that he is now treasurer of the New York Chapter of the Steamship Historical Society of America. Brother Henry is located with the Waterman Steamship Corporation in New York City.

We have lately been selling magazines here at the local chapter, probably like many other chapters about the country. The men decided that this was about the best way to raise a little capital. Brother John J. Avey is in charge of sales and collections, and reports that to date the returns have been good. Our sales are all of Curtis Circulation which pays a good dividend.

Brother Gerald D. O'Brien, who is majoring in Lehigh's new conservation curriculum, will work in the wilds of Colorado during the summer. He will put in practice some of the things he has learned at school and much that he has picked up through curiosity.

A few months ago the boys at the house "black-balled" Sig, a small cocker spaniel that Brother Glenn had obtained in Ithaca, N. Y. The general thought at the time was that the dog did not have "distinction." After much discussion he was given away and ever since Brother Burger has been looking for a dog of distinction. Brother William Dittmar is going around inquiring for a dog of distinction. We cannot convince him that a distinctive dog does not sniff at a pan of Calvert.

### *Athletics*

This year the Eastern Intercollegiate Association Wrestling Championships will be held at Lehigh on March 12 and 13, and the National Collegiate Athletic Association Wrestling Championships will be held here on March 19 and 20. Brother Berndt will represent Lehigh in the heavyweight class. Brother James K. Wilson is out trying to make the team.

Besides participating in varsity athletics, the men of the house have been competing in various intramural sports events. But compared to wrestling here at Lehigh, everything takes a back seat when it comes to sports. Many sports experts have called Bethlehem the home of wrestling, and from the looks of the gym after school hours, it seems that the phrase is well applied. The coach, Bily Sheridan, is probably one of the most noted men in the field, and has inspired many of the Phi Sigs in that sport. The most inspired man in the house now is Brother Wilson who holds the record of being the only man able to pin himself.

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## THETA DEUTERON

Oregon State College

By ROBERT E. ULLMAN

With mid-term examinations for winter term over, the Phi Sigs here at Theta Deuteron, Oregon State College, stopped to look back on some four months of exciting events. The beginning of fall term

found Bob Duncan, Jim Conroy, Don Mast, and Jim English doing a fine job on the football field while Jim Hansen pounded the gavel as President of the Junior Class, here at Oregon State.

The Phi Sigs were taken care of in the publicity department by Art Chenoweth, one of the night editors for the "Barometer," the OSC student paper.

Intramurals found our brothers deep in the midst of a flurry of events that kept everyone on the run. Competition was and still is keen, but our boys have already made room on the shelf for a few more trophies, and expect to see it filled before the term is over.

Socially speaking, the Phi Sigs came through with one of the most unique house dances that was held on the campus fall term. The clever programs given to the Phi Sigs and their dates carried out the theme of, "Dante's Inferno," or "Hell to You." The dance was entered via twisting pathways, climbing ladders, stepping over steaming water, and crawling through holes. Sound effects of tortured victims were secured by means of a wire recorder. The screams and moans furnished free — courtesy the Alpha Gam house and three or four Phi Sigs. Appropriate entertainment was provided at intermission.

Exchange dinner with Kappa Kappa Gamma, a fireside, and a pledge dance rounded out the term's social calendar.

Shall old acquaintance be forgot. The answer was definitely no when some thirty-five alumni and their wives gathered to talk over old times and transact important business. With the dining room crowded to capacity, the alums nevertheless effectively carried on with their meeting and a good time was had by all.

With grades as one of the main items heading Theta Deuteron's important list, Rudy Delateur, house President, put proper emphasis on scholarship throughout the term. A 2.5 average was the re-

sult. That's pretty good say some sixty brothers, who point out that the highest house grade on the campus was 2.7.

Operating with increasing activity and enthusiasm, the Mothers' Club has already presented our house with reading lamps, a table lamp, and table linen, to mention just a few of the much needed gifts. Phi Sig mothers certainly know what is needed to make a comfortable home.

The love bug has been overly active at PSK this school year. Cigars announcing the departure of a pin have been passed out by: Norm Peterson, Jim Southwick, Larry Thompson, Chet Dailey, Jim Drummond, Keith Millhollen, and Don Whitmen. Jack Hartmen has announced his engagement along with George Gwinn, who also gave away a ring.

With winter term half gone and one fireside and two exchange dinners to our credit, the fellows are sure this will be another successful term for Theta Deuteron, both academically and scholastically.

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## BETA

### Union College

By DANIEL W. SMYTHE

With the passing of the winter months, Beta Chapter is looking back with great satisfaction to the success of the recent activities of its members. In the rush of its extra-curricular activities and the accomplishments that go with them, the chapter here in Schenectady has something to be proud of. We look forward to a great year.

A recent meeting was highlighted by the election of new officers. Carl Burmaster now wields the gavel at the Beta Chapter. Frank Lewis is the new Vice-President. Jim Richards is Secretary; Bill Hio, Treasurer; Sam Eager, Inductor; and Jack Thuston, Sentinel. We were very sorry to have to say goodbye to "Connie" Klim, past President, who

graduated in January. Connie was one of the most active members we have ever had at Beta. The college paid tribute to him recently for his outstanding work. He has a new job in the general office of the General Electric Company. We know Connie will drop in on us now and then.

Fred Wyatt, '32, Director of Alumni Relations, during the mid-semester recess, conducted two groups of students on interview trips through western Pennsylvania and the mid-Atlantic states. The groups covered 1847 miles, and addressed approximately 2700 students in thirteen schools. The trips, aimed to increase the geographic distribution of applications to Union as well as to aid prospective college students by acquainting them with the many facts of college life, were highly successful. We look confidently to more trips in the future under Brother Wyatt's guidance.

Beta looks proudly to two distinguished alumni who have gained fame in Schenectady: Brother Owen Begley, '26, is mayor of the city; Brother Arland St. Louis is the city manager.

To list a few of the activities of our many members:

Art Kean is one of the stars of the forthcoming college play, "Ways and Means," by Noel Coward.

Bill Hio has been re-elected President of the Union College Christian Association. He has just attended a Christian Association Conference at Vassar. Bill is also a member of the student board of managers.

Lloyd Kieran is on the production staff of the Mountebanks, the college dramatic society.

Carl Burmaster is the Treasurer of the student branch of the American Institute of Electrical Engineering.

Orazio Ottaviano has just been elected to the staff of the *Concordiensis*, the college paper.

Fred Budnik is one of the sparkplugs of the Chemistry Club.

In a recent chess tournament, Dan Smythe aided in the defeat of the Schenectady Chess Club.

Last December Robert Burner, Lee De Graff, Dan Smythe, Win Stone and John Scott were initiated; and among the new pledges are Ralph Reed, Bill Mott, and Don Cregier.

To end on a congratulatory note, we extend our best wishes to Dick Bullock and Leah Kilmer upon their coming marriage.

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### THETA TRITON University of Texas

By BILL BROOKS

The new deal is on at up and coming Theta Triton with the installation of new officers on February 3. The brothers are happy to welcome Robert M. Adams as President; William Pfennig, Vice-President; Morris E. Yarrow, Secretary; Leroy Gafford, Treasurer; J. Clark Jenkins, Inductor; Harry Peck, Sentinel; Ken Elliot, intra-fraternity council representative; Nuel Childs, social chairman; William C. Brooks, SIGNET correspondent.

The chapter has had the pleasure of wining and dining the traveling secretary from National Headquarters, energetic Bill Zimmerman, over a two-week period. Bill made many valuable suggestions which will most certainly pave the way towards a greater Theta Triton future.

The chapter's informal rush week (commonly whispered as "hell week" — we said it and we're glad!) came to a roaring close as eleven outstanding pledges were added to the fold on February 5. Proudly emerging as new brothers are: Joe A. Adamcik, L. Vance Barker, William C. Brooks, Kenneth A. Dyer, James B. Fleming, Richard Kinney, Ray D. Laurentz, Bill Mays, Luther T. Quinn, Billy L. Thompson, and Jerry Thompson. Then, on the following Saturday evening, all brothers emptied their white colonial palace on West 23rd for the joys of the

formal initiation banquet, which was held in the West Wing of the University Tea House. Brother Cox, chapter faculty adviser, delivered a very inspiring address entitled "Living A Full Life." J. Clark Jenkins, inductor, presented L. Vance Barker with the outstanding pledge key for Gamma Class. After fine food and fraternal singing, group pictures were taken of the banquetters. From 9 to midnight the banquet revelry adjourned to the cocktail party held in the East Room of the Stephen F. Austin Hotel in downtown Austin.

Three past members of the Gamma Pledge Class, Charles McDuff, Malcolm Pratt, and Kay Warren have been held over to the Delta Pledge Class (grades being what they are!), and recent pledges, Bill Nelms and Archie Welch have been added to the group.

Bright social clouds loom on the Theta Triton horizon as the chapter prepares for a loaded calendar schedule. All Phi Sig alumni of Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana are hereby ordered to the Theta Triton Chapter House (709 W. 23rd, Austin, Texas) for a real Texas roundup on March 13, as part of the local Founders' Day festivities. Many fraternal orders have been especially cordial in joining forces with our newly organized social calendar. Most recent hosts of Theta Triton have been the Delta Zeta, Alpha Omicron Pi, and Phi Mu sororities.

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#### St. Lawrence University

By ANDREW DOTY

After edging fearfully and prayerfully past what was generally considered the hardest final exams in the history of living men, deep-sighing Phi Sigs here at St. Lawrence University have plunged with a renewed vigor into a host of varying activities, the most important of which has been the St. Lawrence Winter Carnival. In this frosty festival hard-working Phi Sigs were to be found in



most every field of endeavor, performing most capably in all divisions.

Undoubtedly the crowning achievement for all concerned was the splendid performance turned in by Ray MacIntyre of Lake Placid, New York, who won topmost laurels in the winter games. In a meet in which eight crack ski teams were entered, St. Lawrence emerged first and Ray the foremost of the winning group. His all-around brilliance brought him high acclaim as he received the coveted Skimeister trophy for his efforts. He finished fourth in the downhill, second in the slalom, second in the jump and 19th in the cross-country. His excellent work was the nucleus of the team's victory.

Three out of three ski-joring events were also annexed by the men from Xi. Jack Dennin, Art Lewis and Chuck Mowry copped the cross-country, spear and ring and obstacle events with Bill Caldwell and Gil Dwyer up.

Caldwell and Bill Davis also did yeoman work in making dances well-received successes, both directing and working to present highly regarded programs. Ken Dyer also deserves credit in his food department, for he had charge of the distribution of meals to the teams and spectators at the three-day affair. On every hand, Phi Sigs were apparent in their effectiveness.

A tremendous ice statue arose before the front of the house and gained considerable favorable comment from visitors, college folk and native Cantonites as well. Represented in the huge ice-work was a huge bobsled run, with a five-man team crouched over as the sled zoomed out of a highly banked curve. Done in clear ice under the direction of Curt Barker, the Jo Davidson of the Phi Sig house, the action-packed group was agreed by all who viewed it, except the judges, to be the best on campus. The judges relegated it to a "very, very honorable mention," in favor of a motley group



"Very, very honorable mention" zooming out of a turn.

of ill-shaped hockey players at a local fraternity house.

Three brothers have passed through the portals of Gilson Hall on the way out into the cold world, claimed by graduation. Gil Palmer, Bill Way and Larry Dena are the trio of pioneers to blaze the trail into non-college life.

Dick Gaudion has been chosen to replace Palmer as fraternity Secretary, and has taken readily to the new duties.

A plan designed to link the people of the town into closer harmony takes shape when Phi Sig Hall is thrown open for the use of high school boys and girls soon for a teen-age dance. Townspeople contacted thus far heartily endorse the plan, which is expected to be repeated often.

Basketball at Xi, lying dormant since before the finals, springs into action within the next few weeks when the Scarlet and Magenta quintet tangle every few nights as the school intramural league moves into high gear. The Phi Sigs, now running second, boast a record of five wins and one defeat.

And so another period of Phi Sig activities ends, with another one already near and to be reported on in the next issue of *The SIGNET*. The full-scale efforts will be continued fully from the house of Xi.

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## XI DEUTERON University of Tennessee

Contrary to the usual custom of January 1st, for the Phi Sigs on the "Hill"

the New Year really began on January 3rd with our own version of how "48" should be welcomed. Due to the type of affair that was expected, precautions were taken to make sure no inflammatory decorations were used. The rather tempid orchestrations of what we Xi Deuteronites have come to know as the South's most outstanding Negro band — our own "Slick, the Prexy" Sams' *Illusioneers* — proved this anticipation well founded. How those lads can keep up at the rate they travel has yet to be decided by some of our more aged men. A fact that is even more amazing is how some of our boys managed to keep up with them. Our attempts to do so and a very appetizing buffet style snack, served up by Brother Jack "The Working Bear" Whiteside, at the mid-point in the festivities added up to a very successful reception of '48.

Foreseeing next rush week, our Rush Chairman, Brother "I ain't got the S. A." Mays, saw to it that several of the local high school seniors were royally entertained along with several of their female classmates. Shrewd move? Well, it's all in how you look at it.

Switching from this informal affair, we all hastily had our Sunday duds cleaned by Brother "Neno — the Chest" Nelms' cleaners of distinction and on the 11th entertained the University's newest sorority, Pi Phi Gamma, with dinner and what we happily refer to as "individual" entertainment. We leave the decision of what said entertainment consisted of entirely up to the readers who we consider intelligent college men. As per Xi Deuteron customs for such an occasion, each visiting "femme" was presented with a red carnation affixed in her hair by "Mom" Billings. The tables were also decorated with bouquets of this well known Phi Sig symbol to complete the theme.

We are sorry that none of our Phi Deuteron brothers made the trip down

to see the U.T.—U.K. basketball game on the 17th. However we did appreciate the condolence by wire they so thoughtfully expressed.

A dance and chili supper on the 24th finished off our January social activities. That was the night of the "Big Snow"—not the same one sponsored by a well known book club!! As a result an already enjoyable affair was turned into a sleigh ride by a large part of those present. In passing, we are forced to add that this was the last activity in which snow is involved that U.T. did not manage to get nationwide recognition for. The sleigh riding resulted in another unsolved mystery as to how so many Phi Sigs could possibly "cut their lips shaving" on the same night or why they would even be shaving so late. The moral to this is: "Stay out of campus eating establishments after going sleigh riding."

Again, we are indebted to Phi Deuteron for their very considerate acknowledgment that U.T. gets occasional publicity. The thing that is really elating to us is the fact that news facilities are at last reaching our less fortunate brothers in the more isolated chapters.

We don't know what it is that makes Tennessee men the way they are but somehow they seem to take sheer joy in savagely pushing tons of snow and ice in on old ladies in ambulances. Ah, the look of utter horror that flashes across their faces just before the avalanche completely shields them from view can only be revealed to you by experiencing it. We call your attention to the diabolical look on the face of Brother Tom Bing as he methodically piles death-dealing snow on the lifeless body of a co-ed in the accompanying cut. We are sorry a similar picture of a similar look that was said to be seen on Mrs. Bing's face when she saw the picture is not available.

Further Xi Deuteron snow activity — in addition to Tom's homicide, that is

— consisted of accepting a challenge to do battle with the neighboring Pi Kappa Alphas. Some discussion came up as to whether this came under the jurisdiction of Brother Bill "Madman" Houk's intramurals or that of the social committee. However, while the rest of us were busily conquering the Pikes, Brothers "Hoss" Shofner and Bill "Goodyear" Neel along with pledge "Josh" Bearden were engrossed in a discussion with the landlady of a nearby residence for co-eds.

No sooner had the snow and accompanying comments worn off than the men at Xi Deuteron again started the monthly social calendar off with a record party on February 6th. The affair was one of dual purpose in that it was to both honor ten newly initiated brothers and to celebrate the presentation of a new radio-phonograph by the Alumni Association. Each Phi Sig in addition to bringing a date, brought a record to replenish the chapter's supply as well as to furnish music for the occasion. Brother P. B. "Sooner" Conley's choice of records was noticeable in view of the fact that Vice-Prexy John "Flowers" Wampler proposed that everyone buy the records. Where P. B. got it we'll never know but in he walked with a "platter" bearing the words, "John's Idea." Just in time to nourish those "late-comers" after the Georgia Tech-Tennessee "hoop" ball game, refreshments consisting of the well-known hot-dawgs and cokes were served in a come-and-get-it fashion.

This party was not only our first February social, but our last until the 27th when our Formal will be held. Everyone is anxiously looking forward to this long-awaited date and the committee is feverishly working to make it the biggest "shindig" thrown on the "Hill" this year. Be sure and check the next issue of *The Signet* for the results of their labors.

Enough for socials — we do manage to go to school and carry on other activities.

The outstanding event thus far for Xi Deuteron occurred on February 1st when we initiated ten new brothers. We are truly proud of our new additions. Brother Tom Bing, John Duncan, Clarence Chesnutt, Eugene Armstrong, Harry Gossett, James Grove, Bill Neel, P. T. Smith,



"SNOW UPS" (BROTHER BING) "AND DOWNS" (MARY ANN ANDERSON)

Stan Merritt, and John I. Parker. These men are already taking a very active part in our activities and it is very evident that they intend to take over and correct some of the many mistakes which we make. Here's to them and all new Phi Sig brothers — they're the men that will make Phi Sigma Kappa. Welcome, men!!

Who says Phi Sigs can't sing? Don't answer that!! The men at Xi Deuteron are now busily engaged in nightly practice for the annual University All-Sing. Each fraternity and sorority enters a choral group of from 5 to 20 members in competitive singing and the Phi Sigs are out to win. Under the capable direction of pledge Gerry Dotson and his pledge brother, as well as paternal brother, Louis, nineteen male voices can be heard throughout the house between six and seven every evening. Come March 3rd, the Phi Sigs's rendition of "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes" and "Finlandia" may be heard for miles around.

On checking last issue we find that pledge Tom Huffstetler is the only one not included in our list. Tom was

pledged early in January and is also helping Gerry and Louis.

Newly claimed campus positions are Vice-President of the Fraternity Relations Board by Brother John D. "Roger" Bohanon and the President of the Nah-heeyali Board (an organization to bring name bands to U.T.) by our acting President Gordon Sams.

For journalistic work of the above quality, please contact John Wampler and "Red Hot" Chesnutt in the office at 4 A.M.

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### PHI DEUTERON University of Kentucky

By DON ROGERS AND WALTER PATRICK

The new initiates of Phi Deuteron are remarkable to say the least. The records established by these men in every phase of their Phi Sig life, we think you will agree, is hard to equal.

The average scholastic standing ac-

quired by these eighteen men was better than a "B." This average is even more admirable when you consider that these men gave wholehearted cooperation to all active functions and even organized functions of their own.

The attitude of intense desire for Phi Deuteron to be "tops" prevailed all through their pledgeship and into their active participation in chapter affairs. Spirit literally generated at Phi Deuteron because of the great desire of these pledges to make this chapter excel in intramural and social activities.

Yes, Phi Deuteron has eighteen new active members who believe in her. Observe the initiation picture closely. You will be hearing more of the accomplishments of these men.

We have just received a nationally known newspaper informing us that "Zee" (as in X, Y, Z) Deuteron has culminated her winter "sports" season with a gigantic snowball riot. Being extreme-



#### INITIATES OF WINTER QUARTER

Standing, left to right: Don Rogers, Jim Lowe, Bill Tuttle, J. C. Powell, Holland Wintsew, George Fugate, Bud Lewis, Paul Whalen, Jerry Johnson.  
Seated, left to right: Henry Rawlings, Chuck Wood, Bob Nikolas, Bill Poe, Bob Linchan, Fred Ament, Carol Houchen, Byron Romanowitz.

ly naive, we believe what we see in print, which caused us to be horrified to see that "Zee" Deuteron, led by Rog Bohannon, had slain numerous and a half policemen in the Nashville insurrection. Undoubtedly, many of our "Zee" Deuteron Brothers have been released from the "cooler" now that the "yankee dust" has melted south of the Mason Dixon.

### *Basketball*

The Phi Sig basketball team here at Kentucky went into the intramural tournament with a round robin record of four wins and one loss. The loss was by one point to last year's intramural champs. The game was bitterly fought and kept the rooters for both teams alternately biting their fingernails and screaming instructions to the players.

The fact that we could put two equally talented teams into the fray made us known as a second half team. After a "race horse" first half the team would still be relatively fresh and could "open up" in the second half.

Disappointment reigned after our being eliminated in the first game by a "red-hot" fraternity team. Someone said, "Those doggoned guys just wouldn't stop runnin' would they? Pant, pant!"

We salute Don (Baron) Hall for his excellent work in developing a fighting team that would "give 'em all a rough time."

### *Clell F. DeSpain*

Clell is going to get that "sheep skin" from the University of Kentucky on March 17, 1948. We feel confident that Clell will be the same success in life that he has been, not only as a fraternity brother, but on the entire campus. Brother DeSpain is past president, vice-president, and social chairman of Phi Deuteron. He is also past president of The Interfraternity Council, member of the University Student Government Association, treasurer of the Constitutional Political Party on the campus, and member of Lamp and Cross, senior men's honorary,

to mention but a few of his extra-curricular activities. Clell is truly a vanguard at Kentucky and will be greatly missed. Hats off to *Clell F. DeSpain*. Good luck, Clell, our hearts go with you!

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### **KAPPA TRITON**

**Fresno State College**

By HARRY MEEKS

Things been poppin' right well for the Phi Sigs at Fresno State and the boys wish to extend a sunny "hello" to their brothers throughout ole Uncle Sam's territory and a belated, but sincere, word of sympathy for them there "frost-bitten" lads in the East. Well now, seems as tho' I've got to cover the whole blessed history of the Kappa Triton Chapter in this here writin' and it shore is a dang good thing that I can't go back any farther in time than September, 1947, for that's about when the boys first began to function as Phi Sigma Kappa's youngest chapter.

Three months of carefree ridin' found everybody anxious to take up the reins of a new school year and to exchange the saddle for a desk—seein' as how its easier on the breeches to straddle a desk. "Straight-shootin'" Chuck Price moved into the office of President, and with his capable aides, Harry Meeks, Vice-president; "Wild" Bill Anderson, Secretary; "Honest" Bill Davies, Treasurer; Gordon "Lover" Kierstine, Sentinel; and "W.S." Milt Roth, Inductor, managed to whip the chapter together in fine spirits for the semester's activities.

Really drew us some fine blood during rushing season, and I reckon we caused the older fraternities on the campus to sit up and take notice at what they saw roped into our corral. Yes siree, gotta hand it to "Rustlin'" Leroy Eiffler and "Hustlin'" Chuck King for the work they turned in as Rushing Chairman and Program Chairman respectively. The "smoker" they prepared at that lush Hotel Californian was quite a rip-roarin'

shindig. Then, the "bean feed" that our adviser, Arnold Thompson, threw over at his place kept the boys perkin' right up to the final "Preference Night" banquet held at that exclusive barn, The Club Margo.

When smoke from the battle cleared away, little ole Phi Sigma Kappa stood right up there in second place with thirteen "prize of the lot" pledges. The boys handed Harry "Yarn-spinner". Meeks the brandin' iron and, as Pledge Master, he went to work on them pledges: Ted Ayres, Bill Bradley, Don Ellis, Jack Garner, Ernest Johnson, Don Logan, Ed Marbut, Gay McCline, Dick McWilliams, Jim Mitchell, Lou Paden, Bob Ruud and Wes Trumble. The boys were shore a hit with them sorority gals; like the time when a respirator unit was rushed in from the local Red Cross because Ed "Canary" Marbut had caused the entire Omega Xi Omicron gals to swoon dead away with one of his songs. Then there

was the time the boys put the Alpha Theta Sorority in a mass state of hysteria when Don Ellis, Dick McWilliams, Wes Trumble and Lou "Mumbles" Paden aped the Mumbles Quartette.

Naturally, Kappa Triton was well represented on the gridiron with "Bustin'" Bill Montgomery leading Fresno State's fighting "Bull Dogs" at the quarterback spot, "Crusher" Tom Aney sparkin' the defensive backfield and that runnin' fool, Ted Ayres, at halfback. Now, that Montgomery boy was one of the top passers in the nation, but he merely says, "Shucks, 'twarn't nothin'. Jist doin' what comes naturally." Along with our varsity representation, the chapter has been doin' right well in the intramural department. So far, the boys have got themselves an untied, unbeaten basketball season to protect, and I reckon that we'll dust off the other organizations in baseball and track, too.

Found us some literary talent last sem-



#### PLEDGES

Front Row: Lou Paden, Jim Mitchell, Jack Garner, Gay McCline, Dick McWilliams, and Bill Bradley.  
Back Row: Ted Ayres, Bob Rund, Wes Trumble, Don Ellis, Ernest Johnson, Don Logan, and Ed Marbut.

ester. Gordon Kierstine edited the "Student Handbook and Directory," and Milt Roth, George Kerber, Chuck Price, Bill Davies and Harry Meeks filled the pages for him. The boys must have gone all out on that there Handbook, for I've heard that it's the finest the school has published. Should be at the price it cost; seein' as how the boys kinda exceeded the budget by several hundred dollars.

A couple of the boys had their hearts stolen and, as freedom goes, bit the dust at the altar of matrimony. Jim Mitchell took as his bride, lovely Jeanne Weatherly, who is a member of the Theta Rho Sorority, and Leroy Eiffler married that long-time sweetheart of his, purty Marjory Key. Seems as tho' Chuck King is gettin' powerful serious with his gal, Bettie Kohfeld, and we're goin' to be attendin' another weddin' soon. Well, we're right proud of these boys' good taste and we shore wish them lots of happiness in that there married life.

One event followed another, from the first day of the semester to the last, and

one of our big moments was that highfalutin' Christmas Formal held at the V. F. W. Hall. The gals and boys got all dolled-up fancy like and really had themselves a bang-up time. Seems 'as how the door prizes were these little wind-up autos and trucks and such. Shore was a hilarious sight to see them fancy gentlemen and their ladies on all fours, racin' them toys across the floor. Reckon we should thank Arnold Thompson and the alumni for makin' that Christmas Formal a big affair for us.

Before last semester was completely hog-tied, we got Chuck Price on the school's Public Relations Committee, Milt Roth on the Elections Committee, and Bill Montgomery elected to the post of Commissioner of Athletics. We've also got the Advertising Manager for the all-school-talent "Varsity Varieties" in Gordon Kierstine. Last year, the Varsity Varieties had as its guest star, Eddie Cantor. Some of the boys think that they're pretty powerful politicians, so I guess that the school's administration



CHRISTMAS FORMAL

will be loaded with Phi Sigs this present semester.

The boys that're holdin' the reins this semester were elected the same night that our thirteen pledges came out of the brandin' shed; following the initiation, a banquet was held for the new members at that highbrow, Belmont Inn. Yes siree, we got us some right fine members in those thirteen boys, and I reckon that we're goin' to have a fine spring semester under the following new officers: Harry Meeks, President; Ed Marbut, Vice-President; Bill Bradley, Secretary; Bill Davies, re-elected Treasurer; Tom Aney, Sentinel; and Don Logan, Inductor.

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### OMICRON

#### Massachusetts Institute of Technology

##### *Sports*

With oarsman Bill Reynolds and coxswain Bob Grott holding down the positions of varsity heavy- and light-weight crew captains respectively Omicron looks forward to another strong year at the Tech boathouse. Returning again to the heavy-weight squad are veterans Reynolds, Bob Wever, and John Rudolf, not to mention Omicron's twin contenders for the position of number one coxswain, Bill Grant and Don Jenkins. Last season as a freshman, Bob Wever, the only man in the boathouse who matches Coach MacMillin's 79-inch height, rowed with the varsity boat at Poughkeepsie and at Seattle, along with Rudolf who stroked that boat and Reynolds who held the bow position. Bob should really move quite a bit of water this year.

Coming up from the ranks of last year's freshmen are Bob Michel and Jack Blum, who handled the stroke and number three positions respectively in last fall's victorious Field Day crew. On hand also will be Don McGuire, baby of the coxswains, who managed last year's freshmen heavies.

Looking at the 150-pound class, we

find Capt. Grott with two prospective oarsmen: Ronnie Greene and Tom Folger.

The first part of the intramural basketball league was completed the week after Christmas vacations, and the Phi Sig hoopsters wound up in a three-way tie for the league lead with a win-loss record of 6-1. The team finished the season by defeating the Graduate House 30-26 and the Barracks by a 25-19 count. Phi Beta Epsilon forfeited the final game to us.

The three-way tie with Monro-Walcott Dorms and Chi Phi will be played off, and if we are victorious, we will compete with the other four league winners in a round-robin tournament.

In seven games we have scored a total of 186 points, which is high for the league. The primary reason for the team's success is the availability of two teams for play. At present the first team is composed of Johnny Roy, Captain, and Don McGuire at guard, Glenn Stagg and Norm Suprenant at forward with Bob Singer in the center position. These are ably backed up by Bill Grant, Sumner Torrey, Paul Fleming, Ronnie Greene, Al Seville, and Hank Helfrich.

After the final exams left most of the Omicron Sigs exhausted, a few of the more rugged souls took off to the North to spend the mid-term vacation skiing in the deep powder snow on Mount Mansfield, Stowe, Vermont. The brothers who went on the trip were Woody Rowles, Tom Folger, Bill Grant, Pete St. Germain, Bob Grott, Jim McGoldrick, Dick White, Paul Fleming, and Don "Daddy" Smith. A Phi Sig Annex on the side of Mt. Mansfield consisted of a large, well-heated cabin. The commissary department was operated on a co-operative basis with all of the brothers pitching in to prepare food and to clean up afterward.

We are not quite sure whether more brothers were injured by the skiing or by the food, but in any case it was a battered lot that returned to the chapter house.



### *Social Activities*

On January 10th PSK house threw a party that was well received by all. An accordionist and a drummer formed the musical entertainment for the evening. The accordion player doubled on the piano and his renditions were very well done. A large crowd attended this affair, the first organized party of the new year.

Brother Weber's diligent efforts made the evening a success. A host of neighboring Theta Xis were present, reciprocating the many times that Phi Sigs have crashed their affairs. Before the party a buffet supper was held in the chapter house and was supplemented later by refreshments.

With the advent of the spring term, the thoughts and efforts of Omicron have turned to the Sixth Annual Jolly Weaver's Party. Toward the end of March the house will be alive with the songs and merriment of the brothers and their friends. Under the guidance of Entertainment Chairman Bob Weber, who handled all our social activities this past fall, work has already begun.

It seems that every year the members of the house make a determined effort to produce a bigger and better party. The brethren are well on the way to making this year's Jolly Weaver the best yet.

Plans for the party will lay open four floors of the house to the throng of over five hundred who are expected to share the Phi Sig hospitality. This year's affair is destined to rank at the top of this year's fraternity parties in scope and success.

### *House Improvements*

Last year was one of the greatest in the physical improvement of the chapter house. The major achievement was the installation of a new central heating unit and hot water plant.

At the present time we are in the process of redecorating the dining room. In the near future we hope to accomplish the following: new stair carpets, lounge

rugs, hall papering and painting, and new furniture.

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## **Babygrams**

Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Osius, Delta Deuteron '26, announce the birth of a son, Timothy Walter Osius, on November 7, 1947. Timothy weighed in at 8 pounds and 3 ounces.

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On November 14, 1947, Mrs. Greiner presented to Brother Waldo K., Delta Deuteron '29, a new daughter, Edith Joyce.

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The following blue print was sent to Delta Deuteron Chapter by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Schoen, Delta Deuteron '32. It depicts the addition in their nursery. The project was named Susan Elizabeth Schoen and was completed on October 15, 1947. General descriptions noted on the blue print included: weight—6 pounds, 8 ounces; height—20½ inches; exterior finish and color—smooth, soft, and pink; roof—black thatched; fenestration—two blue eyed picture windows; acoustical quality—noisy; and plumbing—but definitely.

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Brother and Mrs. W. R. Jackson, Kappa Deuteron '49, announce the birth of a son on November 22, 1947. Christened Stephen Lynn, the young man weighed in at 8 pounds and 2 ounces.

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A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Vance, Lambda '49, on February 7, 1948.

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A son, John E. Schumacher III, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Schumacher Jr. on January 20, 1947.

Brother Schumacher, a member of Nu Chapter, informed us that at birth John III weighed 8 pounds and 10 ounces.

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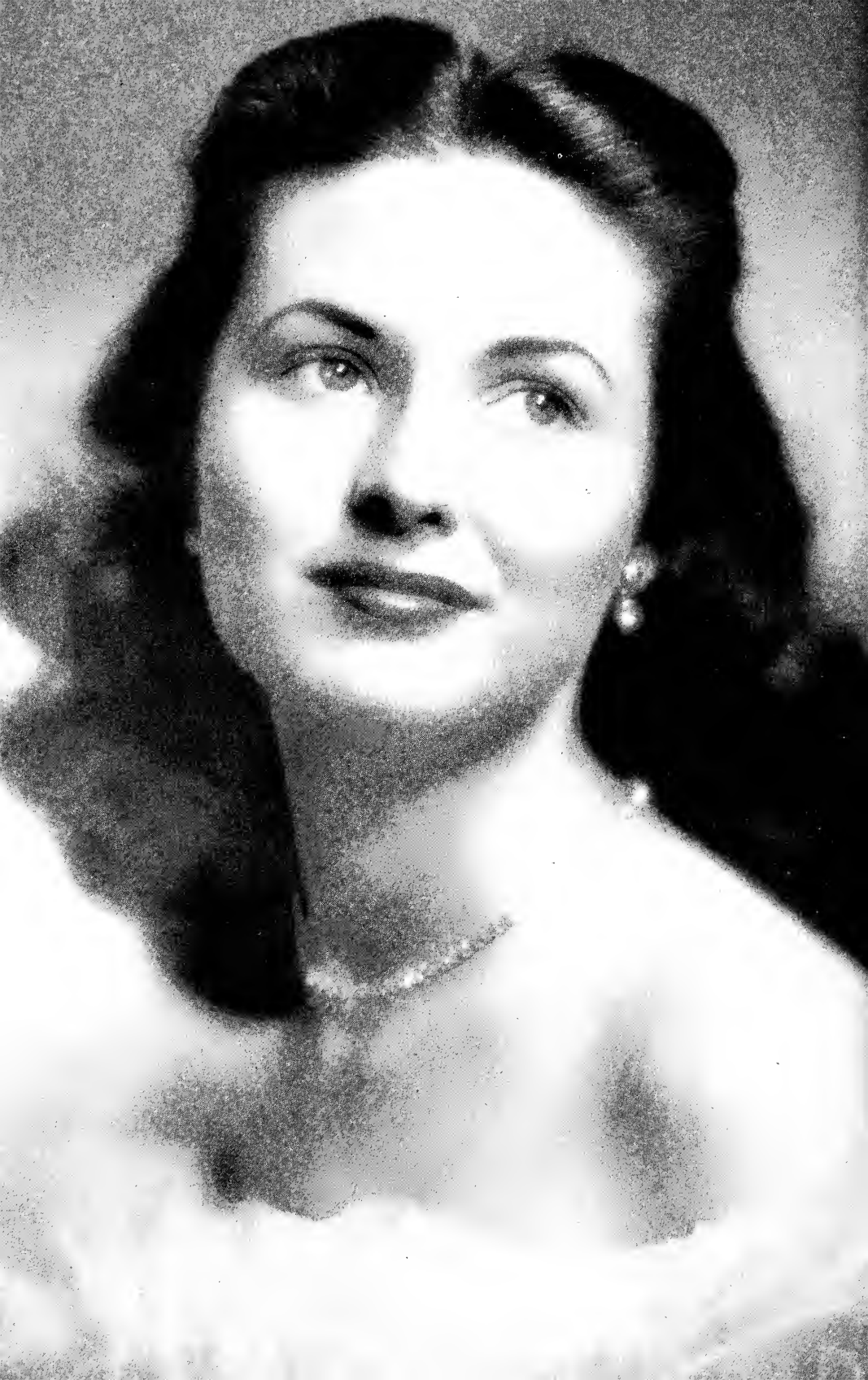
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# Undergraduates Vote Ruth Sawyer Phi Sig Moonlight Girl

"Eight votes for number one. Did you get that down? And here's another bunch. One, two, three, four, five, for number sixteen. One, two, three . . . for number two. Gee, that puts her in front. One is right behind, though. Did her chapter vote? How many ballots did they get? Here's some more for number fourteen. Those chapters out there are really ganging up. One, two, three . . ."

And that's how it was at the national headquarters for more than two weeks. What excitement! Each day a different girl was in the lead. We were all in a dither, each one rooting for his favorite. The voting was heavier this time, both from the undergraduates and the alumni. The postman began hauling in the ballots a few days after we mailed them. The last of them arrived April 9.

Of course most of you know the result from the official announcement already put in the mail. We'd like to introduce the winner to you, anyway. The lucky girl is number two, but we don't have to call her "number two" anymore — even though she's a "dream" she does have a name. Miss Ruth Sawyer is going to take a nice, long trip this summer because she comes from Texas, and that is quite a jaunt to Boston. Sponsored by our Theta Triton chapter at the University of Texas, Miss Sawyer represented the youngest and the smallest chapter of the six semi-finalists. She rode to victory on the votes of Phi Sigs from all over the country — 82.2 per cent of her votes came from undergraduates of other chapters. She was also the favorite of the alumni in the over-50 age bracket. Miss Sawyer is, indeed, the popular choice of Phi Sigma Kappa. And did I call *her* lucky? I think we're the lucky ones.

Now I think it is time for some more

introductions. Recognition is certainly due our five runners-up. Number one is Miss Norma Williams, Omicron chapter's candidate. Oh, well, Miss Williams, you didn't want to go to Boston anyway — after all, you live there! Incidentally, this young lady is a student at the New England School of Art in Boston. Then there is Miss Betty Foster, sponsored by Xi as number sixteen. She is a freshman at St. Lawrence University, and was entered as Xi's choice after winning the campus-wide contest which they put on. Miss Evelyn Ewing, number 24, is our other southern beauty. She was Phi Deuteron's entry. Then, there is Miss Donna Marie Jacobsen, from Washington State College (go West, young man), Chi Deuteron's choice, entered as number fourteen. And I would like you to meet Miss Carolyn Nordstrom, number eighteen, who was Alpha Deuteron's candidate and who, by the way, polled the largest number of alumni votes (32 per cent of the total number of ballots cast by the alumni). Thanks to all of you lovely girls for entering our contest. You really made it an exciting race.

We appreciate the cooperation of the chapters, too. It was interesting to note how most of the chapters spread their votes over the entire field of candidates. Four of the six girls each received votes from over twenty-five chapters other than their sponsoring chapters. Many of our alumni participated also — their votes were equally divided among all age groups, which might indicate that interest in Phi Sigma Kappa (and in female pulchritude) does not decrease with the years.

Your editor would say the contest was a success. How about you?

# “I Wish I Didn’t Love You So”

## How Theta Triton Selected Miss Sawyer

The Theta Triton Moonlight Girl Contest was started off by the chapter asking each sorority to send a candidate and a sponsor to a reception that was held November 16 at the chapter house. Prior to the reception publicity on the Moonlight Girl Contest was run in The Daily Texan, campus newspaper, and each sorority on the campus was informed as to the nature of the contest.

At the initial presentation of the candidates each candidate's sponsor was allowed to make a short campaign speech on behalf of her candidate. All sororities were represented at the reception for the presentation of candidates — Alpha Chi

Omega, Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Phi, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Delta Zeta, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Phi Mu, Pi Beta Phi and Zeta Tau Alpha.

The candidates were asked to submit a suitable picture of themselves and were given about a week for any campaigning they wished to do. Generally, the various sororities did little campaigning outside of serenades. A few came over quite frequently to the house but one of the biggest surprises came when two express-

men delivered a large package labeled “To



Miss Ruth Sawyer of Delta Gamma, our Moonlight Girl, as she was announced the winner of our Moonlight Girl Contest. With her, left to right, are the other top four girls in Theta Triton's Moonlight Girl Contest, Pat Stevens of Gamma Phi Beta, Mary Mae McDonald of Delta Zeta, Betty Jean Farrell of Kappa Alpha Theta, and Betty Bauman of Zeta Tau Alpha.

all of the Phi Sigs." Inside was found one of the nominees, serene and lovely after her rather hazardous delivery.

On November 21 the members and pledges voted for their choice for Moonlight Girl. The voting was secret and each person was asked to number his choices one through five, one being the first choice. Since there were a number of candidates, much of the voting was done on a basis of the pictures submitted. In voting stress was placed upon the beauty, poise and picture of the candidate. The results of the voting were kept secret until the minute that the winner was announced.

A formal reception was held at the house November 23rd, at which time the top five and winner were presented. The house was decorated in moonlight theme with a stage occupying part of the living room. All the candidates were presented first, each one walking down the stage and through a silver frame that gave the appearance of a mirror. Next the top five were presented — Pat Stevens of Gamma Phi Beta, Mary Mae McDonald of Delta Zeta, Ruth Sawyer of Delta Gamma, Betty Jean Farrell of Kappa Alpha Theta, and Betty Bauman of Zeta Tau Alpha. While the top five were on the stage the winner, Ruth Sawyer of Delta Gamma, was announced. She was "pinned" with a pearl sweetheart pin by the President, given a bouquet of American Beauty roses by a flower girl, and kissed by the President.

Commercial photographers were present for the event and Brother E. L. Howell of Houston took color motion pictures. After the formal presentation at the house, the group went out to a local nightclub to further celebrate.

The local Moonlight Girl Contest was given considerable publicity by The Daily Texan, which generally does not give many write ups of the same size to fra-



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ternities and sororities here. The fraternities and sororities seemed quite impressed with the whole contest, and pleased that our chapter won the national contest. The contest did much to help put us on the "map" at Texas.

On April 3, Theta Triton held its Moonlight Formal at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel, at which time Ruth Sawyer was presented as the honored guest and given a bouquet of red roses. We had George Myer and his orchestra play for the formal and they made a special arrangement of the Moonlight Girl song. The formal, we believe, was a great success and it carried throughout the moonlight theme. Ruth Sawyer sang with the orchestra "I Wish I Didn't Love You So" which was dedicated to all the Phi Sigs.



# Phi Sig Moonlight Girl

By LARRY INGRAM, *University of Texas*

From Texas, the state famous for its oil wells and beautiful girls, comes Phi Sigma Kappa's Moonlight Girl for 1947.

Ruth Sawyer, a lissome, grey-eyed junior at the University of Texas at Austin, calls San Antonio her home. She was born there July 20, 1928, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Sawyer, have a 25-acre place on the fringe of the Alamo City.

"Being chosen Moonlight Girl is the biggest thrill of my life," said the chestnut-haired beauty. "It's certainly a great honor, and I hope I can live up to it."

Miss Sawyer is 5 feet 7 inches tall and weighs 123 pounds. A slim waist highlights an appealing figure guaranteed to arouse the appreciation of any man.

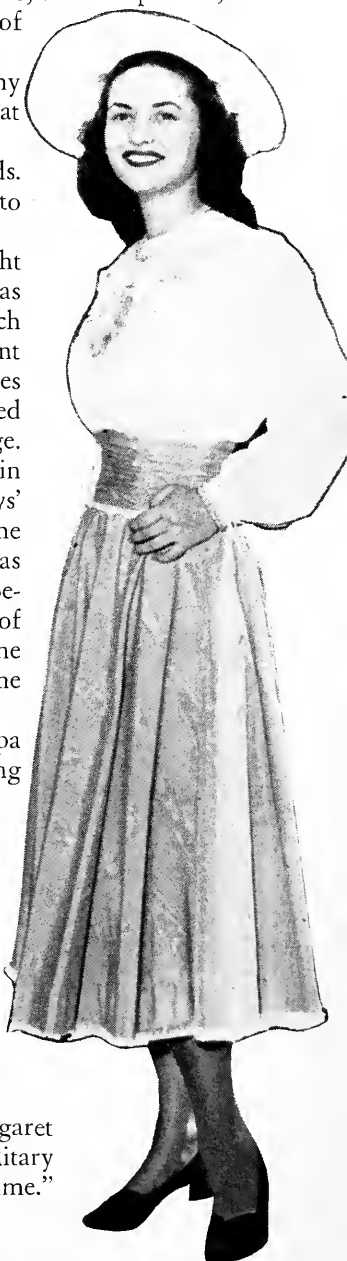
The effectiveness of her charm was demonstrated the night she was named Moonlight Girl of the University of Texas Phi Sigma Kappa chapter. After the announcement — which poor bus connections made her nearly miss — chapter president Douglas McNair was urged to crown her with a kiss. Movies taken of the scene were in technicolor, and they showed McNair's cheeks turing from a faint pink to a brilliant orange.

Miss Sawyer attended Thomas Jefferson High School in San Antonio, where she was mascot and inspiration of a boys' club, and after graduation entered Trinity College there. She began collecting beauty laurels early. As a freshman, she was elected "Princess" of her class, and again as a sophomore. Before her second year was out, she had also won the crown of "Most Beautiful Girl" in the college. Fully aware of the devastating effect of her loveliness, the sophs tacked on the title of sergeant-at-arms.

Other activities included being president of Delta Kappa Phi, a girls' club, and participating in the Trinity Touring Chair. She was elected secretary of the student body for 1947-48 but relinquished this honor when she transferred to the University of Texas in September, 1947.

Since as far back as she can remember, the pert lass has been singing. It didn't take long for University students to discover this ability, and she has been much in demand ever since.

Her popular appearances include "Forty Acre Follies," campus variety show; "T" Association banquet, an annual dinner of University athletes and ex-letter winners; the Ranch Dance of Mica, an independent men's organization; a banquet held by journalism students in honor of Margaret Bourke-White, noted Life photographer; the ROTC military ball; and a University radio show called "Texas Tower Time."



Her latest performance was in a revue at the biggest event on the social calendar, the University of Texas Round-Up.

An indication of the power of her dulcet tones was given at the Ranch Dance. As she stepped on stage and began a soft blues number, the loose micro-



The Eyes of Phi Sigs Are Upon You

phone slowly slid down its shaft like it was overcome.

"The mike's melting," someone exclaimed breathlessly.

But Miss Sawyer is a girl of many talents. Her major is art. As a youngster at home, the slender stripling designed dresses as a hobby. She liked to combine patterns she had seen, or design frocks from original ideas.

"My mother had to make them, though," she smiled. "I can do all right with a pencil, but when it comes to handling a needle, I get lost."

Just because she can't sew doesn't mean she has no home-making tenden-



Window shopping for Convention wardrobe ideas.

cies. Miss Sawyer took out some domestic insurance at the University when she enrolled in a cooking class. Now she can make her own strawberry shortcake, a dessert dear to her heart. Several men



Ruth, an Art Major on her way to class.

have asked to share the breakfast table with her, but so far she hasn't pledged her cooking ability to any would-be husband.

Last summer the starry-eyed co-ed worked four weeks as a fashion illustrator at Joske's of Texas, a large San Antonio department store. In February, 1948, she was chosen as one of 14 co-eds picked from various colleges in the nation to serve on the College Board of Bates Fabrics, Inc.

"That was one of the big events of my life," she described her selection. "We were given a trip to New York where we modeled for advertisements, learned a lot about fabrics, and saw the sights." Her modeling duties included a stint in a fashion show attended by editors of the national fashion magazines.

This experience in modeling she expects to serve her well this summer, for she hopes to work for an agency in San Antonio or Dallas. An opportunist, Miss Sawyer is eager to accept any chance for an artistic career.



Ruth, a true Texas cowgirl, is fond of horses and is an expert rider.



Our Moonlight Girl absorbing sunlight.

Her first love, however, remains painting and sketching, although she recently took up sculpturing. The latter appeals to her, because, as she said, "I have more of the feel of creation when I'm molding something with my hands, rather than putting images flat on canvas as in painting."

Miss Sawyer was pledge president of Delta Gamma on the campus. One of her sorority sisters is also her real life sister. She is Mary Jo, who is 17 and a sophomore. Both of the girls live at the Scottish Rite Dormitory near the campus.

Besides Mary Jo, there is a brother, Tommy, who is a high school sophomore at Thomas Jefferson, Miss Sawyer's alma mater.

According to the lovely Moonlight Girl, the Sawyer family is predominantly German with a sprinkling of Scotch, Irish, and English. She is particularly proud, however, of the thin line of Indian blood in her veins. Her father's great-grandmother was a full-blooded Cherokee.

"My dad still has an Indian nose," she said. Miss Sawyer herself has the high cheekbones and delicate profile of an Indian princess. After collecting a deep sun tan swimming in the summer, she might pass for Pocahontas.

Mr. Sawyer is a San Antonio realtor. Mrs. Sawyer is fond of yardwork and likes to work with flowers.

The family keeps two horses on their place and Miss Sawyer is fond of rid-

ing, as a good Texas cowgirl should be. She takes part in most any type of sport, although badminton and bowling are her favorites.

At the University she is a popular girl. The San Antonio Club, an organization of students from that city, named her their Bluebonnet Belle nominee, a beauty award sponsored among campus clubs by the University annual. Miss Sawyer's

literary loves find their outlet through the Reagan Literary Society, and she somehow finds time to draw men's eyes to her well-turned limbs when she dances with the Texannes, a precision dance group made up of University co-eds. This chorus line has become quite prominent and has drawn attention of several Broadway scouts. Look Magazine will run a feature on the girls in a future issue.

# Convention Program

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WEDNESDAY

- August 11th, 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Convention Registration, Appley Room
- 11:00 a.m. Convention Session, Princess Room
- 1:30 p.m. Convention Session, Princess Room
- 3:00 p.m. Convention Picture
- 3:30 p.m. Convention Session
- 7:00 p.m. Moonlight Girl Dinner Dance (Formal) Louis XIV Room

THURSDAY

- August 12th . . . . . 9:00 a.m. All Day Pilgrimage and Sightseeing Tour to Amherst, Massachusetts, via Lexington and Concord; Lunch in Greenfield and Dinner at 1812 House, Framingham

FRIDAY

- August 13th . . . . . 9:00 a.m. Region I Conclave, Persian Room
- Region II Conclave, Empress Room
- Region III Conclave, Princess Room Foyer
- Region IV Conclave, Drawing Room
- Region V Conclave, Library to Empress Room
- Region VI Conclave, Men's Cafe
- 2:00 p.m. Convention Session, Princess Room
- 4:00 p.m. Meeting of Recommendations Committee, Drawing Room
- Meeting of Nominations Committee, Empress Room
- Meeting of Resolutions Committee, Library to Empress Room
- 8:00 p.m. Presentation of Ritual, Princess Room
- Ladies' Bridge and Bunco Party, Balinese Room

SATURDAY

- August 14th . . . . . 9:00 a.m. Chapter Advisers' Round Table Conference, Empress Room
- Undergraduate Round Table Conference, Princess Room
- 1:30 p.m. Convention Session, Princess Room
- 7:30 p.m. Convention Banquet (Formal), Princess Room





## Spurs Chapter Convention Plans

Chapter enthusiasm for attending the convention is so high and the plans of most of the chapters so well worked out that to tell about them and to tell about the fine delegates which they have selected to represent them at our Diamond Jubilee would practically fill all the pages of this SIGNER to the exclusion of all other material. Therefore we have decided to tell you about the plans of Xi Deuteron Chapter and about the delegates which they have selected to represent them, as typical, and to give you an idea of the enthusiasm that prevails.

Xi Deuteron plans to be well represented. In search of the man to head their delegation, the chapter very promptly, by unanimous vote, appointed Brother Dave Dodson, a Business Administration senior from Alamo, Tennessee, to be the official delegate.

Dave has quite a unique college career. He entered U. T. Junior College at Martin, Tennessee in 1940. Among the many honors he held while in school there are: President of Freshman Class, Freshman Representative on All Students Council, President of Engineering Club, President of the Wesley Foundation, Social Chairman on the All Students Council, and Chairman of Aloha Oe Decoration Committee.

Just as war was declared Brother Dodson was elected President of the All Stu-

dents Council; however, he did not serve this office because he enlisted in the service.

Before World War II, Dave taught school for six months at Alamo High School and was also head basketball coach at that time.

In the fall of '46, after his separation from the Army Engineers, he enrolled at the University of Tennessee. Very promptly the rush committee of Xi Deuteron saw the capabilities of Dave and therefore placed the pledge pin on his lapel. Three months later, "Dynamo," as he has come to be known, was initiated an active member of Phi Sigma Kappa. Active is very descriptive of Dave, too. During his first year as a Phi Sig, he was elected to the office of Treasurer.

On the "Hill" Brother Dave became known by his duties as Student Representative on the U. T. Athletic Council, and as a member of the Scarrabean Society (a secret honorary organization for the improvement of the U. T. campus). Brother Dave was selected to represent the University of Tennessee at the National Convention of Student Unions in Roanoke, Virginia April 28, and also at the Convention of Student Body Presidents of Southern Colleges in Atlanta, May 26.

Dave is considered the "alarm clock" at Xi Deuteron. From 7 a.m. 'til the wee hours of morn Dynamo displays the

energy of an atomic bomb in performing his activities of the day. He is the chapter House Manager. At present, he is the candidate for U. T. All Student Council Vice-President, representing the political party of which Phi Sigma Kappa is a member.

Another delegate planning to make the trip is former Xi Deuteron President Gordon "Slick" Sams.

Brother Sams, a native of Knoxville, Tennessee, is a Liberal Arts junior. He



Xi Deuteron's delegates from left to right, front row: Bob Whitehouse, "Big" Jim Evans, Gordon "Slick" Sams, and official delegate, David "Dynamo" Dodson. Back row: Stanley "Little Dynamo" Merritt, Monty "Precision" Graham, and Jimmy "Nino" Nelms.

was pledged before the war in 1942; repledged in the fall of '46 and initiated the following quarter. Slick has held the offices of: Political Representative, Publicity Representative, Vice-President, as well as President of the chapter. He also has been Dance Chairman of A.S.C. and President of Nahheeyayli Board (an organization composed of students which brings name bands to U. T.). Brother Sams is quite short in stature; however, he has made himself quite tall in the spotlight of U. T. activities.

Delegate Roy William Montrose Graham Jr. also plans to attend the conven-

tion. Brother "Monty" is a Navy brat who was in Honolulu on that hectic day of December 7, 1941. In fact, Monty was born in Honolulu. In relating his stormy career as an engineering student, Brother Monty has told us of his travels from the University of Hawaii via R.P.I., United States Naval Academy, and finally to the University of Tennessee to obtain his "book larnin'."

Brother Montrose spent four years at the Naval Academy, where he was "make-up man" on the *Log* (a midshipman's magazine), and after leaving decided to cease the thoughts of ever being an engineer. At U. T. he began anew, trying his hand in a new and less exacting discipline — Liberal Arts.

Brother Monty was pledged in the spring of '47 and initiated the following quarter. At present he holds the office of Secretary of Xi Deuteron.

Other delegates who will attend the convention are: Jack "The Kissing Bear" Whiteside, Stan Merrit, James Evans, Curtis "Daddio" Overton, Raymond "Red" Chesnut, James "Neno" Nelms, Johnny Revier, and Bob Whitehouse.

Brother Whiteside is a Business Administration junior from Old Hickory, Tennessee. He is prominent in the Playhouse Society, at one time or another being Light Manager, Publicity Manager, Advertising Director, and Secretary. A former President of Xi Deuteron, the "Kissing Bear" is now Assistant House Manager and President of House Betterment Committee of Xi Deuteron.

Stan Merrit, an initiate of last winter and native of Lebanon, Tennessee, is a transfer student from University of Richmond, where he was in the Naval V-12 program. Honors he has obtained at U. T. include: Editor-in-Chief of the Tennessee Engineer, member of Institute of Radio Engineers, Co-Manager of Carnicus (a collection of competitive state production of all fraternities and sororities on the Hill) and member of Tau

Beta Pi, and Honorary Society. Brother Stan played host to the Southern District Convention of A.I.E.E. April 9. He is President of the local chapter of A.I.E.E.

Curtis Overton, an Agriculture senior from Tazewell, Tennessee and active member of Phi Sigma Kappa for four quarters, is President of the Block and Bridle and Editor of the *Tennessee Farmer*.

Jim Evans, a native of Kentucky, is a transfer student from Cumberland College. He was pledged and activated in 1946. He has held the office of Inductor of Xi Deuteron for three quarters.

"Red" Chesnut, who hails from Winchester, Tennessee, an Agriculture Engineer junior and initiate of '46, is a representative on the A.S.C. Dance and U. T. All Sing Committees. He also serves on the Xi Deuteron rush committee.

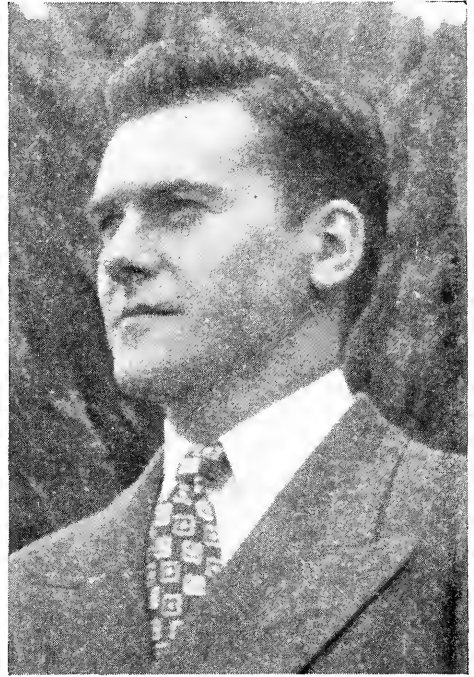
"Neno" Nelms of Surgoinsville, Tennessee, a sophomore in Law School, activated in the winter of '46, is representative on the *Orange and White* (a U. T. publication) and Assistant Manager of Intramurals.

John Revier, Pre-med sophomore from Ripley, Tennessee activated in the winter of '46. He plans to enter U. T. Medical School in Memphis next January.

Bob Whitehouse, recent initiate of this April, a native of Oak Ridge, Tennessee and Pre-med freshman concludes the Xi Deuteron delegation.

These boys plan to drive. They will have a wonderful trip. They will travel through beautiful country and will have the opportunity to visit Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York City en route. Each of these cities has many points of interest to the traveler. In addition, the boys will have an opportunity to visit such of our chapters in each of these cities that are carrying on throughout the summer.

We understand that most of the delegates traveling to the convention from



ARTHUR CHENOWETH

Theta Deuteron Delegate to the National Convention.

the West by rail have planned to make Chicago a focal point; they can then visit the National Headquarters and take part in the Chicago Club dinner scheduled for the evening of August 5, leaving Chicago later in the evening on the special Baltimore and Ohio tour to the convention arranged by Brother Campbell (see March SIGNET, page 147). Those delegates pressed for time plan to fly. Many of them come from great distances. Arthur Chenoweth, Theta Deuteron's delegate, whose picture we are proud to publish, comes from Marysville, California. He is looking forward to this convention as the convention of conventions.

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Commander Virgil R. Glocheski, Delta Deuteron '36, (SC) U.S.N., presently is with the Joint Chiefs of Staff in Washington. He expects to be in Washington for three years and then will return overseas.

# Pre-Convention Interview with our Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, known as the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa, is composed of nine alumni members of the fraternity. Six of these members are selected by the districts of our fraternity



HERBERT L. BROWN

President of The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa

which they represent on our Board of Directors, each district naming one member to the Council. The other three members of our Board of Directors, namely the President and the two Directors-at-Large are chosen by the General Convention. Our President is our leader and upon him devolves all the duties and responsibilities attending such a high office. Special assignments are made to each of the two Directors-at-Large, chief of which during recent years have been "national scholarship" to one and "publicity" to the other.

All of these men have very busy private lives being either executives or teachers but each works long and hard for the

good of Phi Sigma Kappa. At some time or other most of the undergraduates have met and worked with these men; that is particularly true of the Regional Directors who have greater opportunities to meet the undergraduates of their particular districts than do any of the other officers. Alumni know what these men do as the result of their undergraduate experiences but too frequently little else is known about them. Those of you who attend the convention, and we hope all of you will, will meet these men and work and play with them there. We thought, however, that we would like to tell you more about them before the convention; they never talk about themselves; so it is with justifiable pride that we write about them.

## *Herbert Lawyer Brown*

Herbert Lawyer Brown, our National President, was born October 2, 1892 in Thornville, Ohio; at the age of eight his family moved to Glen Mills, Pennsylvania (near Philadelphia). He attended West Chester Friends School and West Chester High School; while in high school he played varsity baseball three years and was manager of the football team and editor of the school paper.

In 1912 he graduated from high school with a four-year full commission scholarship to Swarthmore College. His various college activities included the class presidency in his junior year, the varsity baseball team for four years, membership in the Book and Key (senior honorary society), as well as being a charter member of Kwink (junior honor society), student director of the Glee Club and Instrumental Club, and he composed an operetta and numerous Swarthmore songs. He was initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa October 13, 1912 and graduated

in 1916 with a degree of B.A. in biology.

During the first World War Brother Brown served in the Naval Reserves. He engaged in educational work as a physical director for four years after that and then went into business with his father for a year. In 1925 he joined the staff of Theodore Presser Company, the world's largest publisher of educational music and *The Etude Music Magazine*; within a year he was made advertising manager, and in 1942 he became circulation and advertising manager. He is a member of F. and A.M.

He was graduate director of the Swarthmore Glee Club from 1919-23 and 1932-34, was a member of the Alumni Council, and President of the Philadelphia Swarthmore Club. His fraternity positions include: Chapter Adviser of Phi Chapter from 1928-40, Director of Region II from 1940 to 1946, and President of Phi Sigma Kappa in 1946. He has written four Phi Sigma Kappa songs; he is now engaged in revising the initiation ritual.

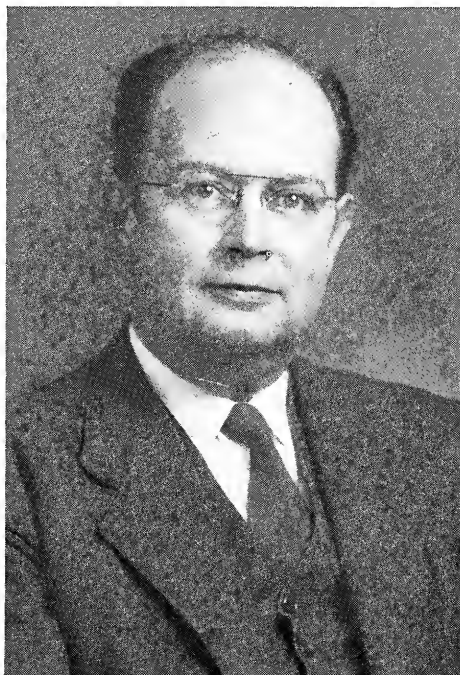
In 1923 he married Agatha Smedley; they have two sons, Donald, born in 1928, and Presley Robert born in 1930. Donald is a member of the U. S. Coast Guard while Presley Robert plans to enter college this coming year.

### *Donald G. Downing*

Donald G. Downing, Regional Director of Region I, was born January 8, 1905 in Worcester, Massachusetts and has resided there continuously with the exception of a brief period of time spent in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. There he was an instructor in civil engineering at Lehigh University for the college year following his graduation from Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1926.

He says that Phi Sigma Kappa was his choice of fraternity long before Phi Sigma Kappa selected him, and it was not until late in his freshman year, May 11, 1923, that he was initiated into the Epsilon Deuteron Chapter. Shortly

thereafter he attended the Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration of the founding of our fraternity at Amherst. Brother Downing comments that that occasion will always remain in his memory as a most inspiring one, and he hopes that the coming Diamond Jubilee Convention will impress some of the younger



DONALD G. DOWNING  
Director, Region One

brothers as he was impressed nearly twenty-five years ago.

As an undergraduate he served as Inductor and Vice-President of the chapter, and was selected for Skull, senior honorary society, at the end of his junior year.

Olive G. Stevens, who had been wearing his Phi Sig badge for some time, consented to change it for a wedding ring in November, 1926. Their future Phi Sig, Allan S. Downing, is fifteen years old and a student at Worcester North High School.

Following the year's teaching at Le-

high University, Brother Downing decided to enter the industrial field, but after a stay of a few months with a structural steel company the opportunity arose for him to return to Worcester Polytechnic Institute as a member of the staff in the Mechanical Engineering Department. There he has remained, ob-

National Interfraternity Conferences in New York. When he joined the Council all chapters in Region I with the exception of Omicron and Epsilon Deuteron were inactive. Even the two active chapters were operating under the severe handicap of depleted civilian enrollment. Since that time all chapters which were active immediately before the war have reactivated, and with the new chapters added during the past year at the University of Connecticut, Rhode Island State College and Boston University the number of chapters in Region I is now eleven.

Brother Downing is a member of the American Society for Engineering Education, the Society for Experimental Analysis, the Worcester Engineering Society, Sigma Xi, and the First Baptist Church of Worcester.

#### *W. Barrett Fuchs*

W. Barrett Fuchs, Regional Director of Region III, was born in Georgetown, Washington, D. C. on December 4, 1908 and (he says) is therefore approaching the dreaded 40th milestone. After graduating from Western High School, Washington, D.C. he worked as a copy boy for three years on the Washington Star Newspaper and also wrote music and movie reviews for that paper. He had hoped to become a baseball sports writer, but when after three years he seemed no nearer his goal he stopped work and entered American University to become a biology teacher, graduating in 1932 with an A.B. Degree.

While at college he was, during all four years, a member of the college male quartet, twice president of the men's glee club, and he sang in the college choral club. He was treasurer of the junior class, and was laboratory assistant in the Biology Department his last two years. He won honors three or four times, and was awarded the first scholarship offered by American University to the Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole,



W. BARRETT FUCHS  
Director, Region Three

taining his M.S. degree and promotion to Assistant Professor in 1937 and to Professor in 1943. The various subjects of applied mechanics have been his field, with committee work involving Hour Plan, Scholarships, and Tech Council filling in.

From 1934 to 1944 he was Chapter Adviser for Epsilon Deuteron Chapter, attending the conventions in Ithaca in 1936 and Boston in 1940. In 1944 he was appointed to the Council as Director from Region I to fill a vacancy, and has attended the last four Council meetings in Chicago despite the accelerated program at Worcester Polytechnic Institute during the war years and the last two

Massachusetts. There he attended classes and did research for five summers.

He was a charter member of the A.U. chapter of Beta Beta Beta, a national undergraduate biological fraternity, and his chapter's first president. He was also a charter member of the local men's social fraternity, Phi Beta Zeta, which in 1936 was inducted as Epsilon Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. Immediately after initiation on November 15, 1936 he was made the Chapter Adviser, a position he held until this year. He believes he is the only man who has known *every* man who has ever been a member of Epsilon Triton Chapter, locally and nationally.

During the year 1932-33 he attended the University of Chicago, where he obtained his M.S. degree in zoology in June 1933. He also sang in the University of Chicago chapel choir that year.

In the fall of 1933 he was appointed as a teacher of biology at the Eastern High School in Washington, D. C., a position he has held ever since. Since 1945 he has been one of the Advisers or Counselors at that school, and this year he was placed on the program or schedule committee. He has been a member of the Alumni Council of the College of Arts and Sciences of American University since it was founded.

One of his major interests is good music. He had ten years of vocal lessons and was a church soloist in Washington for seventeen years. When he was eighteen years old he was one of the D. C. finalists in the first Atwater Kent musical talent contest ever held. Because of chronic asthma he has been obliged to give up singing in public, but he still sings for his friends and for his own pleasure. For about eight years he has been in charge of a student music club which meets monthly to listen to classical recordings. He has a large collection of records.

Another of his major hobbies is stamp

collecting, which hobby he has pursued since he was eleven years old. He now has a general collection of about 38,000 different stamps.

Despite his failure to reach his ambition as a sports writer, he continues to retain an avid interest in baseball, and says that he is just a frustrated ball player at heart. Except when the Senators are "too insufferably bad" he spends most of his summer vacations at the ball park, managing to see about thirty or forty games each year.

Brother Fuchs has traveled extensively, visiting every state except Arkansas, as well as all the islands in the West Indies, the northern coast of South America, Mexico, Alaska, and most of the provinces of Canada. Throughout his travels he has taken 16 mm. color movies and consequently has developed quite a film library.

In 1943 Brother Fuchs became Regional Director of Region III, succeeding Brother Atchison of Phi Deuteron, and has held this position in Phi Sigma Kappa since that time. He also has charge of the Phi Sigma Kappa historical movies.

### *D. R. Collins*

The folks in Emmetsburg, Iowa, remember Daniel R. ("Spec") Collins, our Regional Director of Region IV, as a freckle-faced cherub who arrived prior to Dewey's victory at Manila Bay — and who a short time later, when the wooden sidewalks burned his bare feet, didn't know any more than to stand first on one foot and then the other, and yell! Some of those good folks opined then — and still believe — that no good would ever come of that Collins boy.

During a summer on the Rosebud Indian Reservation in South Dakota destiny really overtook Spec. The local printer needed someone to ink the presses on which he printed the weekly Gregory, S. D. Advocate. Spec's dad got him the job to keep him out of mischief.

But the printer's ink he absorbed into his system that summer has never entirely been dissipated.

Marshalltown, Iowa, was his home during his high school days, and it was here that he obtained a variety of experience that has stood him in good stead in



D. R. COLLINS  
Director, Region Four

his chosen profession of advertising. Then it was the custom to "work" during summer vacation. And Spec worked at about everything the town had to offer. In almost kaleidoscopic succession he jerked sodas, mixed concrete, bottled pop, raised cucumbers for pickles, farmed, ran a drill press, painted signs, made sausage, served as a shipping clerk, roustabouted and — but why go on; about the only two vocations he did not follow, he recalls, are barbering and hanging paper.

In high school he served three years on the school paper — the last two as art editor. But he wanted to be a cartoonist. He did a little studying, and some cartooning, and came to the awful realization

that a cartoonist had to have at least one good idea every day. Advertising looked a lot easier. Then!

Spec's dad had gone to Iowa State College at Ames, so when college time came the son followed in his good father's footsteps. Here, again, the latent desire to "cartoon" overcame his better judgment. The college paper usually published two cartoons a week, and because of an acute talent drouth, Spec landed as cartoonist of the Iowa State Student during his freshman year. The talent drouth, plus certain suspicious maneuvers which to this day he has refused to clarify, combined to keep him on his cartooning job until he graduated.

About this time he was discovered by Phi Sigma Kappa. Spec was having a lot of trouble giving birth to two cartoon ideas a week, and he says that cagey Al Diserens recognized this and took advantage of his weakness. Al soberly assured him that the PSK House harbored a stable of cracker-jack idea men. So Spec accepted the little red button with the telephone poles on it.

Personal observation and sober meditation led to the conclusion that Al's talk was a snare and a delusion — and that only a dolt — one who didn't know enough to remove his bare feet from a hot sidewalk — would have failed to see through Al's flimsy "come-on."

Difficulty with Germany kept him from being initiated in the spring of 1913. (Afterwards the two words he did learn helped him capture a sizeable portion of the German Army.) But on October 30 of that year, after the college decided he never would learn German, he took the final obligation of PSK. Since then there's been no holding the boy. He was a chapter officer his sophomore year, and in 1916 was chapter delegate to the national convention at Worcester.

His last two years at Ames were



crowded. He helped found the allegedly humorous Green Garden — and as a result almost had his college life cut short — sans diploma. College politics, managing editor of *The Student* as well as cartoonist, contributor to the Iowa Agriculturist, T.L.B. (social organization of six-footers), Pan Hell, numerous money-making schemes, president of his PSK chapter — all took time.

In fact, Spec carried so much college work that he had little time for his studies. As a result he became a frequent visitor to the president's office. What transpired during these visits never has been made public. But history tells us that Spec graduated — and that the president vacated his office.

Spec got out of college in time to get into World War I. He had hung his pin, and had a burning desire to replace it with a diamond, which he did before he went into service. During his 18 months in the army General Pershing recognized his sterling qualities of leadership — and made him a corporal.

Back from France he married Kathryn Lott, Iowa State Tri-Delt, on a very hot July 26, 1919. After a long honeymoon the newly-weds arrived in Chicago on September 26 with exactly 89 cents. Spec recalls that he gave his bride 9 cents for elevated fare to her mother's apartment, and took the 80 cents for himself while he went to work for the Portland Cement Association.

He worked here until 1926, when he went into the cement products business for himself, then after three years to management of a cooperative sales group. Next was sales promotion manager of Consolidated Concrete Machinery Co., of Adrian, Mich., and finally back to Portland Cement.

In 1937 he got his chance in advertising as account executive with the Buchen Company, top industrial advertising agency where he stayed until 1944. Then he joined the 40 year-old Mitchell-Faust

Advertising Company as vice president, and a year later was made executive vice president. He's still with them — finds *one* idea a day isn't enough.

In 1936 his dormant interest in his fraternity was fanned into flame. The charter of Gamma Deuteron Chapter, his own, was about to be relinquished. He helped give it a transfusion, which postponed the end two years. And now, he's still hoping.

Spec says he was the only Phi Sig in Chicago in the summer of 1940 when an Alumni Secretary was needed — else why should the honor be thrust upon him? That was his introduction to the Council. He came up with one good idea which he still insists is a good one. He's still trying to sell it!

The Pan-Hellenic Collins' live in Evanston, Illinois. Kassy, (Mrs. Spec), is president of her local Tri-Delt alliance, and really works for her fraternity. Their daughter, Phyllis, Iowa State (of course), is a Chi Omega, and is married to a Phi Delt. She really works for her fraternity, too, in Appleton, Wisconsin.

But, in spite of all this, the good folks back in Emmetsburg, Iowa — remembering how Spec squawled when the hot sidewalk burned his bare feet — still don't think that Collins boy ever will amount to much. And it's a funny thing, but just recently Spec confided to this reported that, at long last, he enthusiastically agrees with his one-time good Emmetsburg neighbors.

#### *Franklin C. Palm*

Franklin C. Palm, Regional Director of Region V, was born in Willmar, Minnesota, on August 16, 1890. Following his graduation from high school, he went to Oberlin College where he received his A.B. Degree in 1914. He then undertook graduate work in history at the University of Illinois, where he was awarded the M.A. Degree in 1915 and the Ph.D. Degree in 1918. As a graduate student



FRANKLIN C. PALM  
Director, Region Five

he received two University Scholarships and was a teaching assistant in 1916-17. After receiving his doctorate Brother Palm taught European history at Colorado College (1918-1921). In 1921 he gave up his professorship and accepted a position at the University of California, where he is Professor of Modern European history.

While at the University of Illinois Palm was initiated into Alpha Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa (1915). He was appointed Adviser of Omega Chapter in 1934, and became Director of Region V in 1940.

He served as President of the Interfraternity Advisers Council of the University of California (1943-1947), and is an honorary member of the following undergraduate organizations of that institution: Big C, and Circle C (athletics); Winged Helmet (junior honorary); Phi Phi, and Skull and Keys (Social). He is also a member of the Royal Society of Arts (England); the American Historical Association, the Elks, the Claremont

Country Club (Oakland), and the Faculty Club (University of California).

Brother Palm travelled and studied in Europe in 1923 and 1936, and is the author of the following books and articles:

(Books): *The Economic Policies of Richelieu* (1920); *Modern European History, a syllabus* (1922); *A Syllabus of the History of Western Europe* (1927); *Politics and Religion in Sixteenth Century France*; *The Establishment of French Absolutism (1574-1610)* (1928); *Calvinism and the Religious Wars* (1932); *Europe since Napoleon* (with F. E. Graham) (1934); *The Middle Classes — Then and Now* (1936); *European Civilization; a Political, Social and Cultural History* (with J. J. Thompson and J. J. Van Nostrand, Jr.) (1939); *England and Napoleon III: A Study of the Rise of a Utopian Dictator* (1948).

(Articles): "The Huguenot System of Higher Education," *University of California Chronicle* (1923); "The Siege of La Rochelle," *Journal of Political Economy* (1923); "Mercantilism as a Factor in Richelieu's Policy of National Interests" (1924); "The Problem of the Unsatiated States," *World Resources and Peace* (1939); "The Decline and Fall of the Third French Republic," *California Monthly* (1942); "The Rise of French Absolutism: War, Depression, Regimentation," *Annual Report of the American Historical Association* (1944); "Louis Napoleon and the Refugee Problem," *The Signet of Phi Sigma Kappa* (1941); "Plans for a Better World," *The Signet* (1944); "What Russia wants — A New World," *The Signet* (1945); "France in Transition," *The Signet* (1945); "This Age of Extremism," *The Signet* (1947).

Bruce C. Bean

Bruce C. Bean, Regional Director of Region VI, was born at San Jose, California, December 10, 1899. He entered Oregon State College in September of 1917 where he pledged to Zeta Epsilon Fraternity. Zeta Epsilon was granted a

charter of Phi Sigma Kappa February 19, 1921 and Brother Bean became a charter member of Theta Deuteron Chapter.

After graduation from college in June 1922, with a degree of Bachelor of Science, Brother Bean remained active in fraternity work. Upon his arrival in Seattle, Washington in 1940 he found Lambda Deuteron Chapter in need of help and became their Adviser. In 1942 Brother Bean was elected to the Grand Council of Phi Sigma Kappa as Director from Region VI, and has since served in that capacity.

Brother Bean has had a varied and successful career. After graduation from college he became the Manager of Henninger Marmalade Plant at San Fernando, California, which was followed by ten years in the auto freight business for himself. In 1936 he became District Manager for Century Metalcraft Corporation and remained in this capacity until 1942 when he became interested in the insurance business. Brother Bean started out on his insurance career as Resident Assistant Vice-President of the University Branch, Federal Old Line Insurance Company. In 1944 he became Regional Director for Franklin Life Insurance Company and since 1947 has been General Agent and State Manager for the Washington National Insurance Company.

Greek letter organizations and interests run high in the Bean home. Bruce's wife, Dorothy Edwards Bean, is a charter member of Chi Chapter of Delta Zeta at Oregon State College. Both of his daughters, Margaret Alice, 20 years of age, and Wildes, 17, belong to the same sorority — Margaret Alice at the University of Washington and Wildes at Oregon State. Mrs. Bean has been President of the Delta Zeta Mothers Club the past year at the University of Washington and is active in the Phi Sigma Kappa Mothers and Wives Club.

What with fraternity work, family,



BRUCE C. BEAN  
Director, Region Six

and business, Bruce has very little time to himself; however, when such an occasion does present itself you will find Bruce putting along on Puget Sound fishing for salmon.

#### *Ralph J. Watts*

Brother Watts, Director at Large and Historian, has been a national officer of Phi Sigma Kappa for twenty-five years. Elected Secretary and Treasurer in 1923, he served in this office until 1938 when he resigned, insisting that the adequate management of the fraternity required the services of an executive who could devote a substantial part of his time to the increasing administrative functions which were then being assigned to the central office.

From 1938 to 1940 he was a member of the Court of Honor, and since 1940 has served as Director. As Historian, his record of Phi Sigma Kappa from 1923 to 1938 has been printed in the SIGNET, and he is now working on the history of the last decade.

Initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa as a member of Alpha Chapter in January 1904, Brother Watts served as Treasurer of the Alpha Chapter House Corporation from 1912 to 1926, and as Chapter Adviser from 1914 to 1925.

Obviously his most significant service to Phi Sigma Kappa has been that ren-



RALPH J. WATTS  
Director-at-Large and Historian

dered as National Secretary and Treasurer.

Brother Watts was born in Littleton, Massachusetts, January 2, 1885; he graduated from the local high school, and in 1907 graduated from the Massachusetts Agricultural College (now the University of Massachusetts) with the degree of B.Sc. While in college he was business manager of the newspaper and a member of Phi Kappa Phi, honorary scholarship fraternity.

After graduating from college, Brother Watts taught at Choate School, Wallingford, Connecticut; in 1908 he returned to the Massachusetts Agricultural College as Secretary to the President. In 1914 he was appointed to the newly cre-

ated position of Secretary of the College.

In 1926 he was appointed Business Manager of Lawrence College at Appleton, Wisconsin, which position he now holds. In 1943-1944 he served as Acting President of Lawrence. When The Institute of Paper Chemistry was founded in 1929, as an affiliate with Lawrence College, Brother Watts was chosen its Treasurer which post he held until 1943 when a full-time administrative officer assumed the responsibilities of the financial management of this rapidly expanding scientific institution.

Brother Watts served as Secretary and Treasurer of the Central Association of College and University Business Officers from 1935 to 1937 and as its President in 1937-1938. He is now Editorial Consultant of the *College and University Business* magazine, President of the Mid West Collegiate Athletic Conference, Director of the Appleton Y.M.C.A., Director of the Appleton Rotary Club, and Vice President of the Valley Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Brother Watts married Edna Kingsbury in 1911. One son, Jerome, age 35, is a member of the University of Michigan chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa; he is married and has one child. Another son, Gordon, age 31, is a member of the Swarthmore chapter, is married and has two children.

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#### *Robert Haven Falconer*

At its annual meeting held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, August 14-17, the Council of the Grand Chapter elected Brother R. Haven Falconer, Tau '39, as Director-at-Large to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Brother John H. Marchmont, Theta '10.

Brother Falconer was born February 28, 1918, in New York City. He received his early education in the public schools of Nutley, N. J. and later attended Dartmouth College where he received his Bachelor's degree in June, 1939.

During his undergraduate days, Haven was House Manager and later Treasurer of Tau Chapter. In addition he served as Manager of the "Dartmouth Players" and the varsity baseball team. During



ROBERT HAVEN FALCONER  
Director-at-Large

his senior year, Brother Falconer directed a special exhibition of the Clavilux sponsored by Tau Chapter to demonstrate the fraternity's interest in campus-wide activities. Haven was also a chapter delegate to the General Convention held at San Francisco in 1938.

Following his graduation, Brother Falconer was appointed Director of Dartmouth Collegé Films. While serving in this capacity Haven also acted as Chapter Adviser for Tau.

Brother Falconer was a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army Signal Corps during the recent war but due to an unfortunate attack of infantile paralysis he received a medical discharge early in 1942. Following his discharge from the Army, Falconer was appointed Civilian Director of the Visual Aids Department, United States Armed Forces Institute. When the war ended, the Visual Aids Department of the USAFI was discontinued, and Haven then joined Loew's International Corporation, which is the exporting company for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures. In connection with this position, Brother Falconer is setting up an educational division for Loew's to introduce the use of motion pictures for educational purposes through its 108 overseas offices.

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#### FREDERICK GRISWOLD, JR., RESIGNS

Frederick Griswold, Jr., Zeta '21, tendered his resignation as Regional Director of Phi Sigma Kappa for Region II, to National President Herbert L. Brown, on April 19. Brother Griswold advised Brother Brown that because of ill health it had been impossible for him to fulfill the obligations which he assumed on becoming a Regional Director of Phi Sigma Kappa; that he had been in ill health for some time and had been on the point of tendering his resignation on several occasions but each time hesitated to do so because of his desire to participate in the activities of the national fraternity. In his resignation Brother Griswold stated that it was only fair to the fraternity and to himself that he resign. Brother Griswold is a patent attorney with offices in New York City.

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**Robert Igney**, Delta Triton '41, former Purdue University basketball star, is with the Athletic Department of the Dow Chemical Company, Midland, Michigan.

## FOUNDERS' DAY AT ETA DEUTERON

Eta Deuteron held its annual Founders' Day Banquet on the 14th of March; it was a great success. Perhaps the fact that the chapter now has the largest membership since the war contributed more than anything to the success of the function. There was a goodly number of alumni present to add to the general good time. The Mothers' Club, which by the way has been very helpful this year, took care of all decorations and the preparation of the dinner.

The banquet took place on the day after the completion of the initiation of eleven new members; hence it served a dual purpose. The new members were introduced to the alums and took a very active part in the proceedings.

Throughout the celebration, many discussions were held as to the best manner in which to consolidate the alumni organization. Various suggestions were made and the chapter will undoubtedly benefit by them. The chapter has decided to issue a quarterly publication of all the functions and incidental events of interest. This publication will be mailed to all alums and it is hoped that it will be instrumental in cementing the alumni-active relations that have become somewhat broken down due to the war.

After the banquet, a song-fest was held with songs both new and old being sung with zest by all. The effects of the good feelings produced by the banquet have already been felt by the chapter. Several alumni members have attended regular meetings since the affair and have shown a great interest in the current affairs of the chapter.

The new members recently initiated are: Joseph Dini, Ted Klimaszewski, John Compbell, Jack Fikes, Vinton Miller, Wayne Ashley, Bob Hempfling, Jack Shevlin, Jim Maynard, James Harker, Joe Facha.

New pledges are: Rudy Gerken, M. E.

Malson, Jerry Marx, Jim Pierson, Dave Swenson, Bob Walker, Bob Watkins, Jim Barkley, Dick Cotter, and Tom Barton.

## DETROIT CLUB FOUNDERS' DAY BANQUET

The Annual Founders' Day Banquet, celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa, was held on Saturday, March 13, at the Statler Hotel, Detroit, Michigan. It was a grand affair, and thirty-nine alumni and fifty-four actives and pledges from the chapter house in Ann Arbor joined in the celebration.

Brother "Spec" Collins, representative from the Grand Chapter, was the guest speaker of the evening, and Brother Fred Lyon, '32, was toastmaster. Other speakers included Brothers Robert Sullivan, President of the Delta Deuteron Alumni Association, James A. Barger, and Jim Burton, President of the Delta Deuteron Chapter.

One of the highlights of the evening was the presentation of scholarship awards by Brother Lloyd C. Nyman, '32. These annual awards, presented for the first time this year, are being offered by the Delta Deuteron Alumni Association. Jim Burton, President of the Chapter, received the award for excellence in scholarship for the senior class, while Dick Gross received the award for the greatest improvement in scholarship during the period of one year. Each man received a permanent miniature cup while the master trophy, upon which their names and accomplishments will be engraved and permanently displayed in the chapter house in Ann Arbor.

Among those present at the banquet were several brothers who had missed these affairs for the past few years. It was a very pleasant evening, and all agreed that the 75th Anniversary party was one of the finest ever held by Delta Deuteron men.



On the night of March 15 the brothers of Alpha Chapter celebrated the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Phi Sigma Kappa founded here at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, Massachusetts. As luck would have it, it rained, as it usually does on such occasions; but this did not affect the success of the celebration.

The Founders' Day banquet was held at the Bloody Brook Inn, a hotel noted for its fine food and splendid service. Brothers began to arrive early to renew old acquaintances and to get into the fraternity spirit over cocktails at the hotel bar. At 7 o'clock the brothers were served with a delicious dinner of ham and chicken. The banquet fully lived up to the reputation of the inn; everyone was satisfied to the utmost.

#### ANNIVERSARY GIFT PRESENTATION

On behalf of the Council, National President Herbert L. Brown presents oil painting to Patrick J. Bresnahan, president of Alpha Chapter, in recognition of Alpha's Seventy-fifth Anniversary. Left to right, Alpha Toastmaster and Vice-President Bill Tunis, President Brown, National Secretary-Treasurer Earl F. Schoening, Alpha President Bresnahan, and National Director from Region I, Donald G. Downing.



Immediately after dessert Brother Vice-President Bill Tunis began the program of speeches as Toastmaster with introductions of those at the head table. Brother Donald Downing, Regional Director, gave a short welcome speech. Then Brother Rand gave a warmly received interpretation of his own poem about the founders and ideals of Phi Sigma Kappa. This memorable poem had not been read since Founders' Day twenty-five years ago. National Secretary-Treasurer Earl F. Schoening spoke briefly about the significance of this particular Founders' Day celebration in the history of Phi Sigma Kappa.

The last and most honored speaker was our National President, Herbert L. Brown. He started his speech with a very appropriate joke and proceeded to draw everyone into the true spirit of the anniversary, of Phi Sigma Kappa, and of fraternal brotherhood.

#### ABOVE:

Speakers Table, left to right: Rand, Schoening, Tunis, Brown, Bresnahan, Downing, Atwood and Verbeck.

Led by Brother Rand we renewed our pledge to the Founders.







ALPHA'S SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

The celebration at the inn closed with the presentation by Brother Brown, for the Council, of an exquisite oil painting entitled "Autumn." The painting, given to us in recognition of our Seventy-fifth Anniversary, is beautiful and an asset to the house to which we may look with just pride.

The banquet was adjourned and the brothers reassembled on the campus in front of North College where Phi Sigma Kappa was founded in 1873. Led by Brother Rand we renewed our pledge to the founders, and then all joined in the harmonious song, "Phi Sigma Kappa Fair." It was a dramatic finale to an impressive anniversary celebration.

**Robert Lamb**, Delta Deuteron '34, is factory manager for the Spencer Manufacturing Company of Spencer, Ohio. Brother Lamb was married in 1942 to the former Jane Pitcher, an Alpha Phi of Michigan, and is the proud father of a two year old daughter, Susan.

### ACTIVE IN ALUMNI AFFAIRS

A Phi Sig active in University of Michigan alumni affairs and also Phi Sigma Kappa alumni affairs is Lloyd Nyman, Delta Deuteron '32. Brother Nyman has been elected second vice-president and member of the Board of Governors of the University of Michigan Club of Detroit.

Brother Nyman also recently gave a speech on "Scholarship in Fraternities" before the Interfraternity Pledge Banquet held at the Michigan Union in Ann Arbor.

Brother Nyman is the one who originated the idea of presenting annual scholarship awards to active members of Delta Deuteron Chapter at their annual spring gathering. These awards are made possible through the Delta Deuteron Alumni Association. One award is given to a senior class member for excellence in scholarship, and the other is given for the greatest improvement in scholarship during the period of one year.



## TOM MONCURE WINS INTER-COLLEGIATE RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP

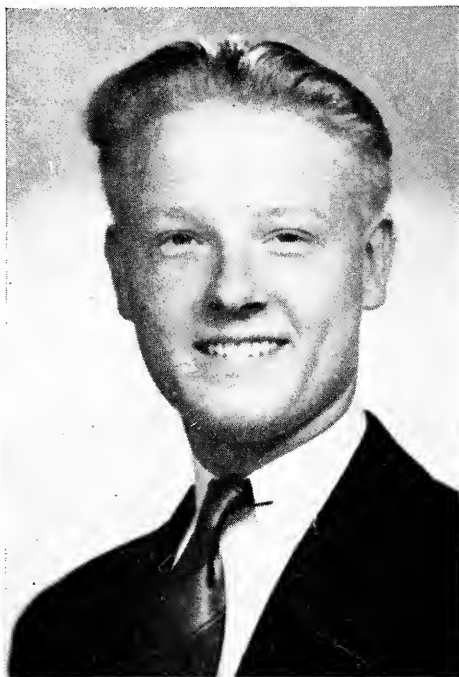
By JOHN W. GILROY, *Lambda '51*

Brother Thomas Moncure, Lambda '48, setting a new mark, wrested the Intercollegiate Rifle Championship a few weeks ago from Jack Bolling of Maryland University. After shooting all afternoon as a member of the George Washington University team in an open competition of 11 teams, he came through with a score of 288 out of a possible 300 to dethrone the former champ. Brother Moncure's score is the highest point total ever scored in the individual competition.

Tom, born 24 years ago, graduated from McKinley High School in Washington, D. C. in 1942. For the two years preceding his graduation he was on the rifle team at McKinley, but his skill was not too outstanding. While attending Virginia Military Institute from 1942 to 1944, Tom, surprisingly enough, did no shooting at all. They did not have a rifle team while he was there and Tom says he spent many unhappy hours wandering over the campus looking for the range. Someone told him that such a thing existed, but Tom still has his doubts.

In March 1944, Tom became one of Uncle Sam's finest—a member of the Infantry. He completed the usual shooting instructions and qualified as a sharpshooter. Discharged in January '46 he immediately entered George Washington for the spring term of that year. He became a member of the rifle team for the '46-47 season and was high man on the squad with a 270 point average. As team captain for the '47-'48 season he proved his tremendous value by averaging 280 points.

He is now a senior at G.W. and expects to complete his Foreign Affairs course this spring. Tom still does not



THOMAS MONCURE

have definite plans for his future in foreign affairs, but probably one of the first things to be done is a nice long hunting trip with his young and pretty wife, Ruth. But no matter what the morrow holds for Tom we are certain that he will fulfill the high expectations held for him by his rifle coach who says, "He belongs, and will stay right where he is today—at the top."

## PETITION FROM SAN JOSE STATE

The Gamma Gamma Gamma Fraternity at San Jose State College has petitioned Phi Sigma Kappa for a charter. There are forty-two petitioners, six of which are alumni. Gamma Gamma Gamma was founded in 1946. The Expansion Committee is now reviewing the petition.

DIAMOND JUBILEE CONVENTION  
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# Lambda Triton Inducted At Rhode Island State

By DAVID J. MANNING, JR.

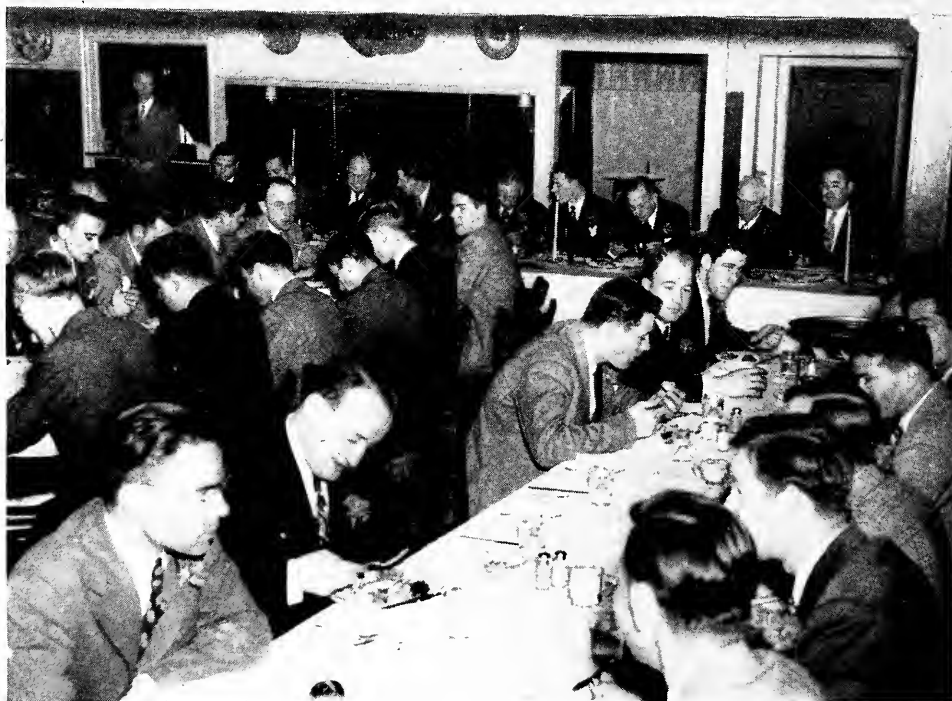
Among the events that took place on February 22 were the celebration of George Washington's birthday, the beginning of National Brotherhood Week and the birth of Lambda Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa on the campus of Rhode Island State College. Lambda Triton, formerly the Order of

Phi Sigma, now takes its place with pride in the ranks of Phi Sigma Kappa.

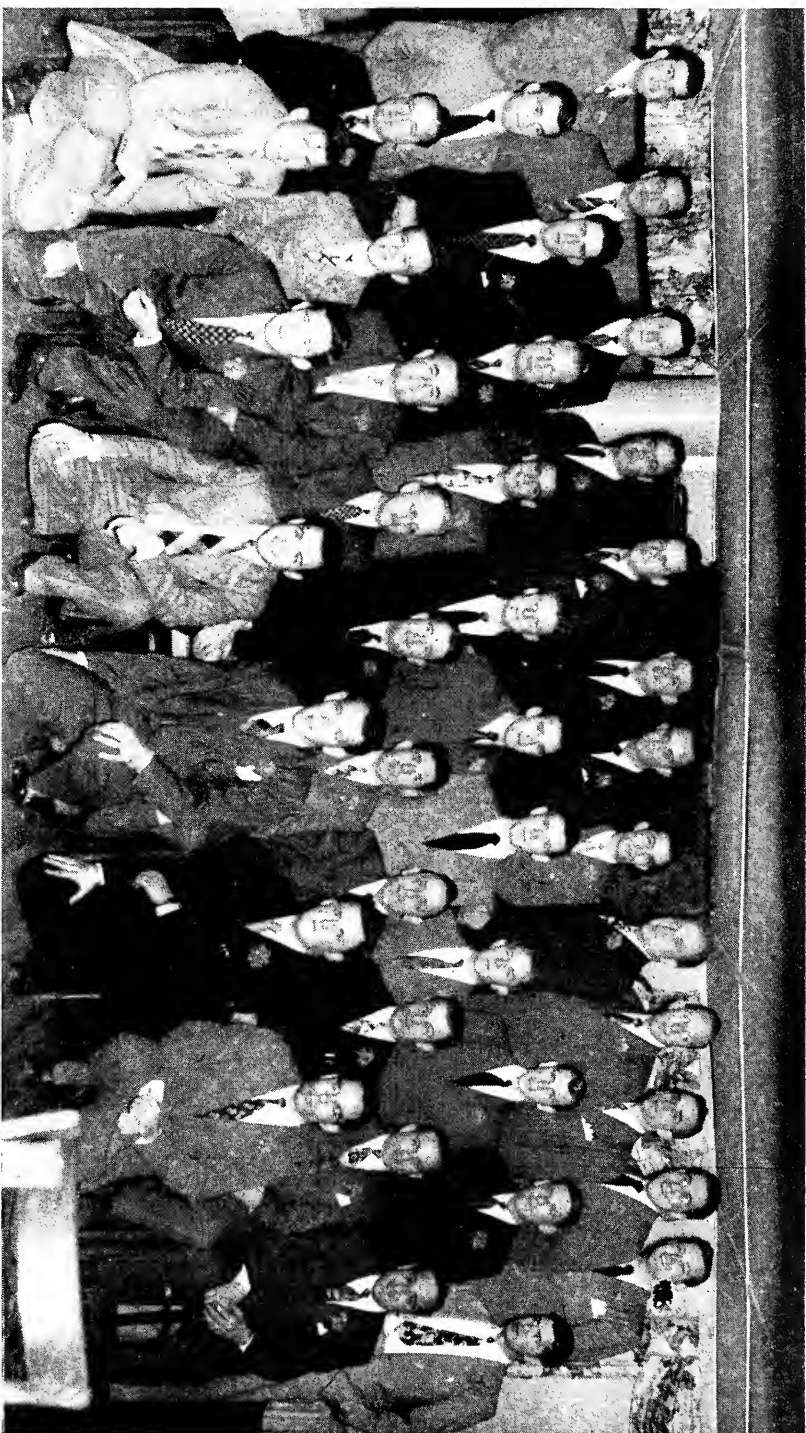
The Order of Phi Sigma was founded

in 1925 and has been active in college affairs since its start. The Order has always had as its aims the furtherment of brotherhood and scholarship. It was, therefore, fitting that the Order of Phi Sigma was inducted into Phi Sigma Kappa on the same day as the beginning of Brotherhood Week. With that as a start we, Lambda Triton Chapter, look forward through the years to a pleasant association with our new fraternity.

Our week-end started with the arrival of Brother Bruce Shufelt, Harlan Ladd,



INDUCTION BANQUET



CHARTER MEMBERS AND PLEDGES OF LAMBDA TRITON

Front row: Leonard Chace, David Sisson\*, John Ruggiero, David Manning, Jr., Claude Thulier, Alden Stickney. Second row: Champlain Starr\*, Frederick Burnham\*, Dr. Bell, Charles Cloudman\*, J. Howard Ferguson\*, Ralph Cornell\*, John Rego\*, Robert Mudge\*, Michael Sammaritano\*, Richard Coduri\*. Third row: Edward Tomaszek, Harry Brown, Eugene Jaskela, Ferdinand Connolly, Donald Dummelow, Charles McCormack, Thomas Salimeno, Joseph Keegan, Raymond Cardin, Herman Miner\*, Sebastiano Santoro\*. Last row: Francis Perry, Nicholas Lombardi, Louis Dummelow\*, Walter Carlen, John Brady, Michael Natale, Harry Stransky, William Ferrigno, Arthur Hull, Edgar Greenhaigh, James Hrubes, Domenic Campanella, Richard Benvenuti. \* Indicates alumni.

Edward Szetela, John Baier, Robert Noyes, and Edward Edwards, members of Alpha Chapter who acted as the induction team. Shortly afterwards Brother Donald Downing, Regional Director for Region I, arrived and our pledging ceremony began. We were able to pledge twenty-four active members as well as four pledges. The ceremony was followed by an informal coffee hour which was held in the chapter house.

Saturday morning and afternoon brought the formal initiation ceremonies for the members and our alumni. Dr. Bell, our house adviser and twenty-three of our alumni were initiated along with twenty-four of the active members. President Brown and Past President Don Hamilton, who arrived on Saturday, took

part in the ceremonies and helped to make the day a very impressive and memorable occasion.

The initiation was followed by a semi-formal dance at the chapter house. Among our guests were Brother Herbert L. Brown, Brother Don Hamilton and Brother Donald Downing. Other guests included the following from Rhode Island State College: President and Mrs. Carl R. Woodward, Dean and Mrs. Quinn, Dr. and Mrs. Bell, and Professor and Mrs. Pansa.

At the first meeting of the newly constituted chapter on Sunday, March 22, further explanation of the secret work of the fraternity was given by Brother Herbert Brown. The following officials of the new chapter were installed: Presi-



ALPHA INDUCTION TEAM

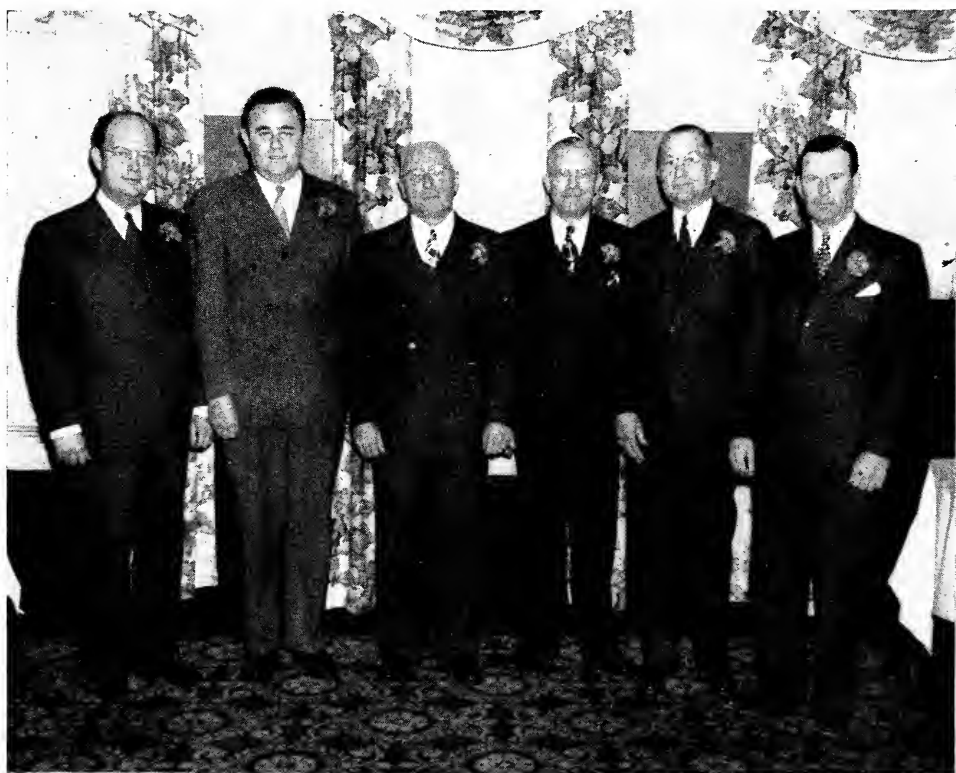
Edward Szetela, secretary; John Baier, treasurer; Harlan Tadd, vice-president; Bruce Shufelt, president; Edward Edwards, inductor; Robert Noyer, sentinel.

dent, Ferdinand M. Comolli; Vice-President, Nicholas Lombardi; Secretary, Alden P. Stickney; Treasurer, Francis N. Perry; Sentinel, Charles McCormack; Inductor, Michael Natale. Brothers Don Hamilton and Donald Downing also took part in the chapter meeting.

Shortly after the meeting was adjourned everyone assembled at the Kings-town Inn for the Induction Banquet. The toastmaster was Brother David J. Manning, Jr., one of the active members. A session of picture taking preceded the actual dinner and Brothers Lewis Whitney of Alpha Triton Chapter of Wesleyan University and William G. Lind, Jr., formerly of Psi Chapter of the University of Virginia were welcomed and

introduced. Thereafter dinner proceeded with grace being given by Brother Hamilton. Following the dinner Brother Manning rose to read the letters and telegrams of congratulations received from other chapters. For a while he appeared to have a little trouble pronouncing some of the Greek names, but with able coaching from Brother Brown he was able to finish in good fashion.

After the congratulations were read President Brown gave an address in which he commended the induction team and talked on the Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa and their significance to Lambda Triton. He mentioned how lucky we were to have such a strong alumni group in back of us and how for-



BANQUET GUESTS

Left to right: Prof. Donald G. Downing, Regional Director; Dr. Robert S. Bell, Chapter Adviser; Don Hamilton, Past Grand President; Herbert L. Brown, National President; Carl Woodward, President of Rhode Island State College; John Quinn, Dean of Men, Rhode Island State College.

tunate we were to have our college so strongly in favor of fraternity life.

The next speaker introduced by Toastmaster Manning was Dr. Carl R. Woodward, President of Rhode Island State College, who welcomed Phi Sigma Kappa to the campus and told the chapter members that the college would support them in every way. He also informed the chapter that he hoped they and the college would work as a team for the betterment of both the fraternity and the college.

Following President Woodward, John Quinn, Dean of Men of Rhode Island State College spoke and asked the members if they were aware of the significance of the step they had just taken.

The closing address was given by Brother Don Hamilton who offered his congratulations to the new chapter and wished it all possible success.

In closing the members of Lambda Triton would like to thank the following:

1. To Brothers Don Hamilton, Donald Downing and the induction team for the wonderful job they did in making our installation a success.

2. To Brother Herbert L. Brown whose stirring message will always be remembered by those who attended the induction banquet.

3. To the other chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa for their many wishes of success which they sent to us.



#### INDUCTION COMMITTEE

Joseph Keegan, Leonard Chace, Richard Benvenuti, David J. Manning, Jr. (Chairman), Eugene Jaaskela, and Alden Stickney.



*Hail!*

*Mu Triton*



## of Boston University

May they live happily ever after. On April 3, 1948 in a ceremony conducted by National President Herbert L. Brown, Boston University's Alpha Chapter of Kappa Phi Alpha and the national fraternity Phi Sigma Kappa were joined in the eternal bond of brotherhood. This union has brought forth a new and earnest member of the Phi Sigma Kappa family. The new offspring is called Mu Triton.

A banquet held at Back Bay Boston's famous Fox and Hounds Club completed a week-end of festivities, as President Brown gave a speech welcoming the new chapter's brothers, alumni and guests.

Association between these two fraternities was begun in 1946 when Brother Downing, New England Regional Director, met and discussed affiliation with several of the brothers of Kappa Phi Alpha. Founded in 1876, Kappa Phi Alpha has always been one of the better fraternities on Boston University campus.

Even though it did not have the advantage of being national in scope, Kappa Phi Alpha has been the most sought after fraternity on the B.U. campus. For many years it has been the only local fraternity in the university recognized by the Interfraternity Conference and has always been at the head of the activities list, winning many trophies in I.F.C. sports, float contests and the like.

Seemingly Kappa Phi Alpha was self-sufficient, but the brothers readily recognized the lacking in their local status and under the guidance of their officers, really began serious consideration of the national situation this year. After canvassing all of the larger fraternities, Kappa Phi voted Phi Sigma Kappa as the most desirable and under the guidance of Brother Downing, began preparations for petitioning this fraternity.

Petition prepared and entered, the brothers of Kappa Phi Alpha could do little more than wait the decision of na-



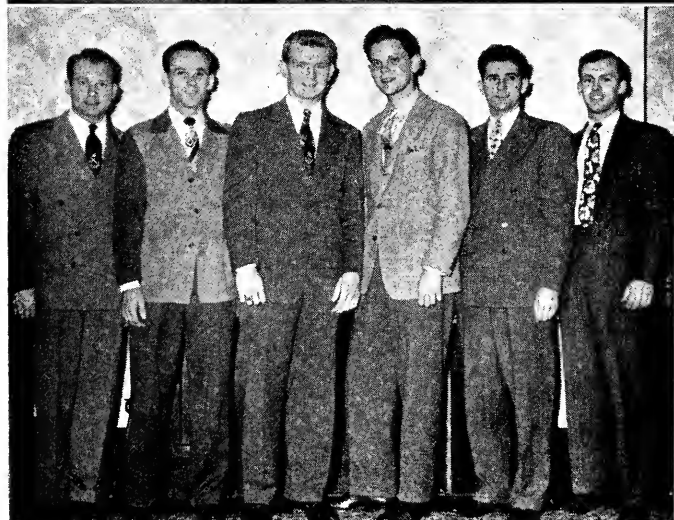
#### OMICRON INDUCTION TEAM

Al Seville, Jim McGoldrick,  
Jim Hooper, Bob Singer, Bob  
Doheny and Peter Crawford.



#### ALTERNATE OMICRON INDUCTION TEAM

Howard Bell, John Gutari,  
Dan Horan, Jim Protulis,  
Robert Voges, Richard  
White.



#### EPSILON DEUTERON INDUCTION TEAM

Lee Gray, Ray Costine, Al  
Riley, Dick McMahon, Jim  
Adams and Walt Dick.



tional headquarters. During a meeting of Kappa Phi, on March 15th, the 75th Anniversary of the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa, the telephone rang and Brother Downing announced that the petition from Kappa Phi Alpha to Phi Sigma Kappa had been accepted by the national headquarters.

The next few weeks were spent in a frenzy of preparation for the great event. Due to the widespread condition of our alumni, much time was consumed in contacting them to ascertain their intentions. More will be said of this condition later.

Another of the outstanding difficulties was the large number of active brothers, who must be informed as to procedure, etc. The brothers of the new Mu Triton Chapter number fifty-two men. Finally the week-end of April 1st arrived and with it arrived Brother Downing and the induction teams, one from Epsilon Deuteron, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and two from our immediate neighbors

at the Omicron Chapter, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The brothers of Mu Triton owe a never-ending debt of thanks to these splendid induction teams for their work in behalf of the induction of our chapter. Special thanks are due to the members of the Epsilon Deuteron Chapter who were only too glad to cut short their spring vacations in order to participate in these activities.

The Epsilon Deuteron team consisted of brothers James Adams, Raymond Costine, Richard McMahon, Walter Dick, Lee Gray and was headed by Albert Riley.

The Omicron groups were, first team — James Protulis, Howard Bell, Dan Horan, John Gutari, Robert Voges and Richard White; second team — headed by Peter Crawford, Robert Doheny, Frank Silvestra, Al Seville, Jim McGoldrick and Bob Singer. Although he was not able to participate in the actual ceremonies since he is coxswain of the M.I.T.



View of the new Charles River Campus at Boston University; the College of Liberal Arts and a partial view of the College of Business Administration.



#### LOCAL INDUCTION COMMITTEE

Top row: Brothers "Skip" Roberge, Bernie Wilson, Pres. Claude LaPlante, Don Westwater and Val Poulin. Front row: Bob McKay, Bill Burke and Frank Bodurtha.



#### CHAPTER OFFICERS

Peter Smiles, Teras.; Gene Dudley, Sentinel; Claude La Plante, Pres.; William Conlan, Vice-Pres.; Edward "Bud" Faivre, Sec.; Norman Poulin, Inductor.



#### MU TRITON ALUMNI

Bob Ciriello, Joe Antonelli, Bill Wunsch, Bill Preston, Len Taylor, Joe Weider and Stan Bekritis. Front row: Harold Pope, Thurlow C. Haunton, Sr., George Twigg, Jr.

crew, brother William Grant also receives a vote of thanks for organizing and rehearsing the Omicron Induction teams.

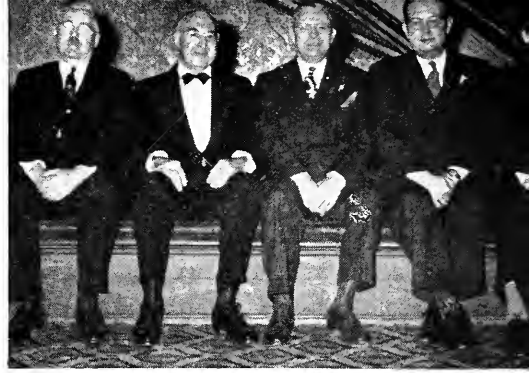
After the pledging ceremonies, which were held Thursday evening, April 1st, the new pledges and the induction teams got together in an informal songfest when the pledges were thoroughly indoctrinated in the proper usage of the songs of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Initiations were started early Friday morning and lasted well into Saturday afternoon. The Friday initiations were followed by another informal party given in honor of the induction teams. Kappa Phi and its longstanding friends, the girls from Alpha Delta Pi, combined to make the party one of the best ever held at the house.

All of the brothers joined in the initiation of the alumni members on Saturday afternoon. Immediately afterward, the first meeting of the Mu Triton chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa was conducted by President Brown. At this meeting the secret rituals were explained to the new brothers by President Brown and Brother Downing. They also explained the true concept of fraternity as is construed by The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

These explanations were followed by the installation of the chapter officers and the installation of the chapter itself. At this time the meeting was turned over to Brother Claude La Plante, Mu Triton president, who formally adjourned the meeting.

Celebrations were culminated on Saturday evening by the banquet at the Fox and Hounds Club and the open house following the banquet. Several distinguished guests attended the banquet, representing the university. Among these were Dr. Daniel L. Marsh, president of Boston University; Professor Phillip E. Bunker, director of student activities; Elsbeth Melville, dean of women; Charlie Seigel, speaker of the Interfraternity



Prof Phillip E. Bunker, Director of Student Activities; Pres. Daniel L. Marsh; National Pres. Herbert L. Brown; Regional Director Donald Downing; Mu Triton Pres. Claude La Plante.

Council; Jayne Keegan, president of Pan-Hellenic, Walter James, bursar of Boston University and former faculty adviser to Kappa Phi Alpha, in addition to the presidents and representatives from all of the fraternities and sororities on the campus.

Brother Leonard Taylor, manager of the Boston University Commons, the school cafeteria and newly initiated brother of the Mu Triton Chapter, did a wonderful job of making an enjoyable evening even more so. As toastmaster, Brother Taylor opened the evening's events by reading a number of telegrams and letters of congratulations from older chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa. Next came a note of apology from Brother Cedric Foster, famous New England news commentator, who expressed his regret that other business was keeping him in Washington so that he was not able to attend.

A number of guests including Brother Downing, Prof. Bunker and various fraternity heads gave short speeches of congratulations and greetings. In his speech, Mu Triton president, Brother Claude La Plante praised the efforts of the induction teams from Omicron and Epsilon Deuteron and the unified efforts of all of the brothers, newly initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa. He made special mention of the local induction committee composed of Brothers P. Roberge, B. Wilson, D. Westwater, V. Poulin, R. McKay, W. Burke and F. Bodurtha, whose work made the banquet possible.

In retrospect, Brother La Plante recalled the past successes and trials of Kappa Phi Alpha from which the fraternity had always emerged triumphant and expressed confidence that, as Phi Sigma Kappa, it would carry on the old tradition and go on to even loftier heights. He also impressed on the pledges the serious nature of the responsibility they would soon accept.

At this point the alumni were asked to rise and identify themselves. Mu Triton is proud of its alumni and hereby lays claim to a new record in active support. Among those who came to be initiated with the active brothers were men from New Jersey, Maine and what we consider a world beater, from Oslo, Norway. Associated with the Scandinavian Air Lines, Brother Bill Preston flew all the way from Oslo to be able to join the active brothers in their initiation into Phi Sigma Kappa.

As the main speaker of the evening, National President Herbert L. Brown, despite his modest protestations, gave one of the most inspiring speeches ever heard at a Boston University function.

In his speech, President Marsh recounted several of his own fraternal experiences and reiterated his belief in the value of fraternities despite the recurrent attacks made on their standing, comparing these attacks to epidemics of disease. His comment on the efforts of fraternity to better brotherhood throughout the world was received with a large burst of applause.

Dr. Marsh also asserted that, above all Boston University was to be congratulated on adding such a worthy fraternity to the ranks of those already present. Lauding Kappa Phi Alpha for its past record, he said that he thought the brothers had taken a step forward in joining the brotherhood of Phi Sigma Kappa and that, in turn, Phi Sigma Kappa had inducted a chapter that it could well be proud of "No matter how good Phi Sig-

ma Kappa may have been before, having accepted our local chapter of Kappa Phi Alpha, it is that much better."

The active chapter roster includes the following named brothers: F. Anderson, A. Bellis, F. Bodurtha, J. Budreau, W. Burke, L. Chabot, P. Clain, W. Conlan, R. Convey, D. J. Cormier, T. Cormier, W. DeVeau, J. Dever, J. Dudley, G. Dunn, E. Faivre, N. Fielding, W. Finn, R. Fiorelli, J. Flynn, R. Geller, C. Goguen, F. Goodsell, J. Howard, W. Kaffel, J. Keefe, C. LaPlante, J. McCarthy, W. McCarty, T. McDonough, G. McDonald, R. McKay, W. McLeod, E. Motyl, P. O'Neill, W. O'Leary, L. Padelskas, N. Poulin, V. Poulin, P. Roberge, H. Rodrigues, L. Scarry, W. Shannahan, J. Stanley, P. Smiles, J. Smith, R. Vrontis, E. Wagner, D. Westwater, B. Wilson, G. Wiseman, O. Woods, T. Woods.

The pledges are: E. Britt, D. Cleary, J. Collins, R. Ducey, V. Galvin, J. Gleason, P. Hadley, A. Kelleher, F. McCone, W. McCoy, G. St. Hilaire, J. Sorbac.

#### BROWN ADDRESSES CHICAGO CLUB

The members of the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Chicago were privileged to hear National President Herbert L. Brown address them on the occasion of their Founders' Day Dinner held at the Swedish Engineers Club in Chicago on the evening of Friday, March 12. Brother Brown's message was timely, interesting, and enthusiastically received.

A large turnout representing brothers from Xi, Beta Triton, Iota, Phi, Alpha Deuteron, Tau, Zeta Deuteron, Sigma Deuteron, and Alpha Chapters enjoyed the delicious smorgasbord dinner. The large birthday cake with the circle, the three T's of the Fraternity and the lettering, "Seventy-Fifth Anniversary" worked out in interestingly colored icings, added a note of special interest for the Phi Sig gourmands.

# Our Mutual Obligations

(Mu Triton Induction Address)

By HERBERT L. BROWN, *Phi '16, President of Phi Sigma Kappa*

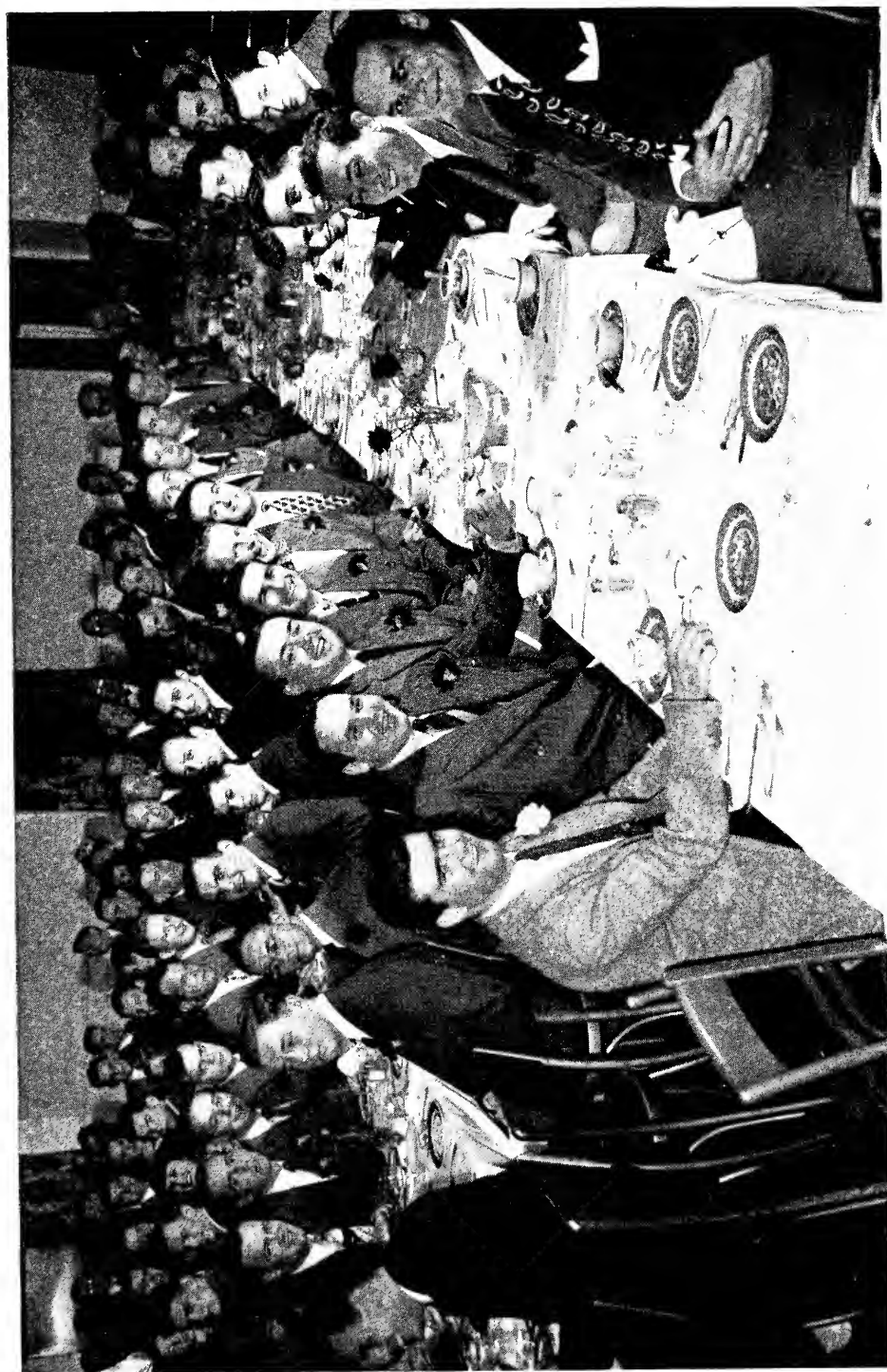
Perhaps the most inspiring and completely satisfying experience that a national fraternity president can have to show for the many long hours of work he is called upon to do in his job is his participation in the induction of new chapters. This is one of those memorable experiences for me, and I wish to assure you that the events of the last 48 hours, leading up to your final consecration to our Brotherhood and its ideals, mark an occasion as heart-warming to me, as I am sure it has been to you. To you, my new brothers, I extend the sincere welcome of the national officers, the 47 active chapters, the 20 Alumni Clubs and the 20,000 living members of Phi Sigma Kappa. We rejoice with you and pledge to you tonight that insofar as lies within our power, this fellowship born of our new compact will so enrich your lives that you will never have cause to regret your decision to join our symbolic circle.

To all intents and purposes, your induction as Mu Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa may seem to involve but little more than the transferring of one fraternity emblem for another, and the enormous expansion of your fraternal associations. Actually it means far more than this — both to you of Kappa Phi Alpha and to us of Phi Sigma Kappa. It involves several mutual obligations.

By your induction into our Brotherhood, you have assumed the obligation to carry forward both locally and nationally the program of expanded service which we have set up as our goal. You have obligated yourselves to conduct your lives in accordance with the beliefs set forth so clearly in our Creed, and to strive diligently for the attainment of the ideals proclaimed by our Cardinal

Principles. We of national Phi Sigma Kappa have assumed an equally solemn obligation — the obligation to make the fraternity of your choice a Brotherhood which you can successfully “sell” to the high type of man which you desire as your fraternity brothers, — an association which will always be worthy of your deepest devotion and loyalty — one to which you can always point with justifiable pride and say, “That is *my* fraternity.”

Yet above and beyond these obligations is an even greater responsibility which you of Mu Triton Chapter and we of national Phi Sigma Kappa have mutually assumed. Together we must make certain that the establishment of this chapter of our fraternity on the campus of Boston University will never bring anything but honor and credit to the University and to Phi Sigma Kappa. No fraternity chapter at any college or university can justify its right to exist on that campus, unless it makes a substantial, worthwhile contribution to the academic program of the institution, as well as to its social life. It is my fervent hope that Mu Triton, both individually and collectively, will embrace every opportunity to prove to the Administration of this great University that Phi Sigma Kappa *does* have every right to exist on this campus, and that it made no mistake when it gave approval to our coming here to Boston U. I can assure you that it shall be our purpose to so guide and supervise this chapter that it shall ever stand high among the national fraternity chapters here — in respect to (1) scholastic attainment; (2) loyalty to and cooperation with the college; and (3) the production of men of character, vision and ability.



MU TRITON INITIATION BANQUET HELD AT THE FOX AND HOUNDS CLUB IN BACK BAY BOSTON

I have frequently wished that I might have the opportunity sometime to conduct a personal survey among fraternity men, with a view to establishing a kind of formula of reasons why the average college man joins a fraternity — or perhaps why he joins this one in preference to that one. If this were possible, I am reasonably certain that I would be able to compile some rather interesting data.

I suspect that from those who joined a fraternity a decade or so ago, I would find a predominant number of answers, stressing a variety of purely social advantages, for it is my belief that in the olden days of Greek letter societies, requisites for membership involved little more than a plentiful supply of "long green," a predominance of "blue blood," and an unquenchable capacity for "claret red." Among the more recent initiates I believe I would discover a rather different concept of fraternalism, for in the last decade the thinking of active fraternity workers, both undergraduates and alumni, has turned from the old paternalistic pattern — the rule-by-divine-right philosophy — to more constructive channels in which service, scholarship, character are replacing money, social registers and drunken brawls as the accurate measure of true fraternalism.

No longer is it necessary to bear the name of Winthrop, Cabot or Lodge to qualify for membership in a good fraternity. Today they even take in the Smiths, the Jones, and the Browns.

To be sure, there are still many college men who have but a vague idea of what they want in a fraternity — why they join one, and after years of being a member of one, just what it has meant to them.

I am not so naive as to try to make you believe that the fraternity of today is a paragon of virtue as contrasted with its iniquities of former days — or that, as spotless as the driven snow, it will lead all erring mankind to the very gates

of Heaven. The system still has some faults and is still vulnerable in some respects to the attacks of the anti-fraternity wolves. But I *do* say that there has been a definite improvement all along the line, and I believe if there is any one factor that is responsible for this improvement it is the realization among fraternity leaders that their organizations can serve their members, the College or University, and the community in general in far more effective ways, than merely supplying housing facilities and social activities.

It is significant that never before in the history of Greek letter societies has so much attention been given to scholarship. By close cooperation with the college administrations the scholarship standing of fraternity men has shown a phenomenal upward trend in many places. I predict that the time is not far distant when our critics will be hard pressed to prove that membership in a fraternity is detrimental to high scholastic attainment. The fraternity itself is doing something about it by closer supervision of its members and by resorting to the effective practice of the strong helping the weak.

Other fields of invaluable service have been explored. Today the chapter house offers a well-ordered and wisely supervised home environment. Members are encouraged to participate in wholesome and character-building extra-curricular activities of the college. They are trained in the business of "getting along" with their associates — of cooperating constructively in manners of house management according to the best business practices. Discussions of moral and ethical problems offer still another avenue of service. In some groups vocational guidance by older brothers is found to be very beneficial. In short, slowly but surely a constructive program of service, benefiting the individual member, the group as a whole, the College or University and even the community at large



is being evolved and prosecuted in many fraternities.

During my years as a national officer I have learned with amazement of some of the civic projects and philanthropies being undertaken by many groups — the building of hospitals, of homes for the underprivileged, the conducting of summer camps, and many other worthy services. You can add to this program the scholarship awards and student-aid grants from foundations and trusts, subsidized by fraternity alumni — a type of service which is helping many a worthy boy through college who might otherwise have to stop before he graduated. I am happy to report to you that Phi Sigma Kappa has within the year established such a Foundation. True, we have made no more than a beginning, but we will get there and do a job of which every Phi Sig can be proud.

Our fraternity has formulated such a program of service as I have outlined. Two and a half years ago it was presented by the Council in concrete form. Today we can proudly announce that of 15 new projects listed in that program of services 13 have been completed or are in the process of achievement.

Such a program is entirely compatible with the aims and purposes expressed by our Cardinal Principles. These ideals do not differ very greatly from the ideals of other fraternities, though they may be expressed by different names. The world needs them desperately today when the dark clouds of man's inhumanity to man threaten the very annihilation of our civilization. We need desperately to promote true Brotherhood, that mankind may live in peace and harmony according to the tenets of the Golden Rule. We need desperately to stimulate Scholarship, that the great scientific and academic truths of the present may be diverted from the destructive paths of the past into the constructive pattern of the

future. We need desperately to develop Character, that man may learn to submerge self interest for the good of all mankind.

I am confident that Phi Sigs here at Boston U. as well as Phi Sigs the country over will meet this great challenge in a manner that will make each one worthy of the heritage that is his.

A few weeks ago I was called upon by a chapter president to help solve a rather serious problem that had arisen. It was a problem involving certain questionable practices which could easily result in defamation of character to those indulging in them, with a consequent black mark against the fraternity system there and the possible elimination of fraternities from the campus — not to mention the deleterious effect upon the reputation of the college. The president explained these consequences to one of the chief offenders, and do you know what his reply was — “so, what?” So — what if individual characters were blackened. So — what if the good name of the fraternity was dragged in the mire. So — what if, by his selfish, wilful act, fraternities were forced off the campus and the college adversely publicized. He had had his fun. So — what?

I say to you that we don't want this “so — what” philosophy in Phi Sigma Kappa. Such an attitude is totally incompatible with our avowed aims and purposes — with our Cardinal Principles. I hope and confidently believe that there will be no so — whatters in this fine chapter of our fraternity. Let's keep them out of our circle for all time. Let each undergraduate pledge himself never to respond with “so — what” when he is called upon to do his part in making his chapter the best on the campus. Let each alumnus never shrug off in such a manner appeals for help — both moral and financial — from his local chapter and from his national organization. “So



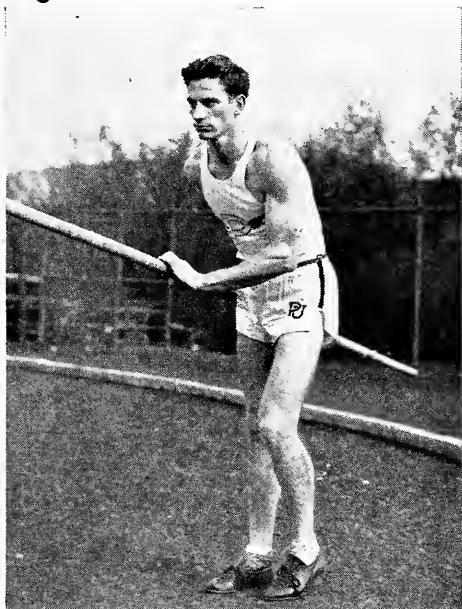
— what” must never be allowed to pervade the thinking of Phi Sigs.

Whenever our obligations are pointed out to us, may our reply never be a flip-pant “so — what”, but instead an earnest, heart-felt ‘I’ll do what I can.’ Remember — our Creed states by these things I stand — and let’s stand by them in truth — united — shoulder to shoulder and by giving the full measure of our deepest devotion to this beloved Brotherhood, we will find each individual life greatly enriched by the deep consciousness that we are fulfilling the man-

date “to make her fair name brighter than the jewels of her emblems.”

Mu Triton Chapter, I salute you. I bid you Godspeed and wish you every measure of success in all your undertakings. All Phi Sigma Kappa will ever be right behind you, throughout good repute or ill repute, — in fair weather or foul. In like manner as your adversities will be a matter of deep concern to us, so will your successes and achievements be cause for genuine satisfaction and rejoicing among us — brothers all in fact as well as in name.

## Phi Sig Track Stars



TRACK CAPTAIN

Lawrence Busby, Delta Triton, is captain of the Purdue University track team.

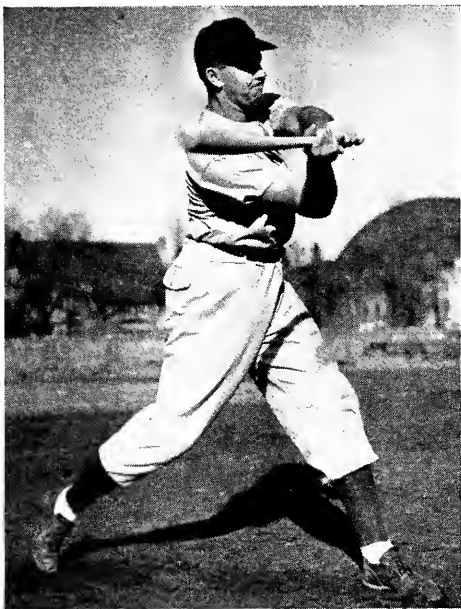
**Munns Caldwell**, Delta Triton '31, is now county agent at Boone County, Indiana.

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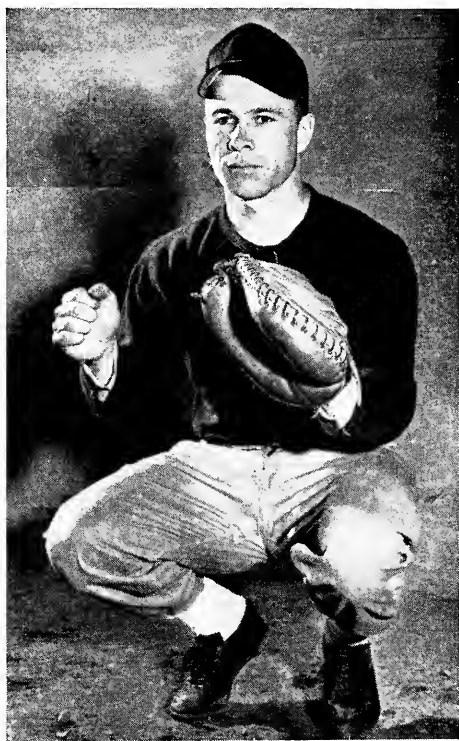
Alpha Deuteron's versatile Tommy Stewart, athlete extraordinaire, is further demonstrating his athletic prowess as a member of the University of Illinois' powerful track team. Although this is his first season out for the sport, Brother Stewart is giving added strength to the team in its 440 and mile relay events. Brother Stewart, sophomore and already a two-letter winner in football, is certain to gain his third varsity "I" by virtue of his track competition.

# Phi Sig Baseball Stars



LEO SHIELDS

Leo Shields, first-string 1st baseman for the University of Minnesota has a batting average of .464 in six games. In those games he batted in nine runs, made two homers, one double, and one triple. He also has one stolen base to his credit.



HARRY ELLIOTT

Harry is the first-string catcher of the University of Minnesota baseball team. This year he has caught five games to date. He, like his brother from Beta Deuteron, is a good batter, having batted .429. In making that record he has batted in five runs, has one double, one triple, and one homer to his credit. He has stolen two bases. All the games reported played by Shields and Elliott were played during the Texas training trip of the University of Minnesota baseball team.

## REACTIVATION OF THE BOSTON PHI SIGMA KAPPA ALUMNI CLUB

The possibility of reactivating the Boston Phi Sigma Kappa Alumni Club was recently discussed at the 75th Anniversary Celebration at Alpha Chapter. Some of the alumni and alumni-to-be, expressed a desire in forming such an organization. Since there are a great number of Phi Sig alumni in the Boston area, and due to the fact that our chapter roster in this region has been increased, the need of reorganizing the club seems to be of great value not only in maintaining and creating closer bonds in the Brotherhood but also in advising and aiding the chapters in this region.

Before formally reactivating the Club, it was agreed that there should be some indication of interest on the part of the

alumni. Therefore, every Phi Sig interested in joining a new Boston Phi Sigma Kappa Alumni Club, please contact Brother Edward C. Edwards Jr., 193 Hanover St., Boston, Mass. We should especially like to contact former members and officers of the pre-war organization.

If the response is favorable, plans for reactivating the club will be formulated at the National Convention in August.

# Phi Sig Baseball Stars



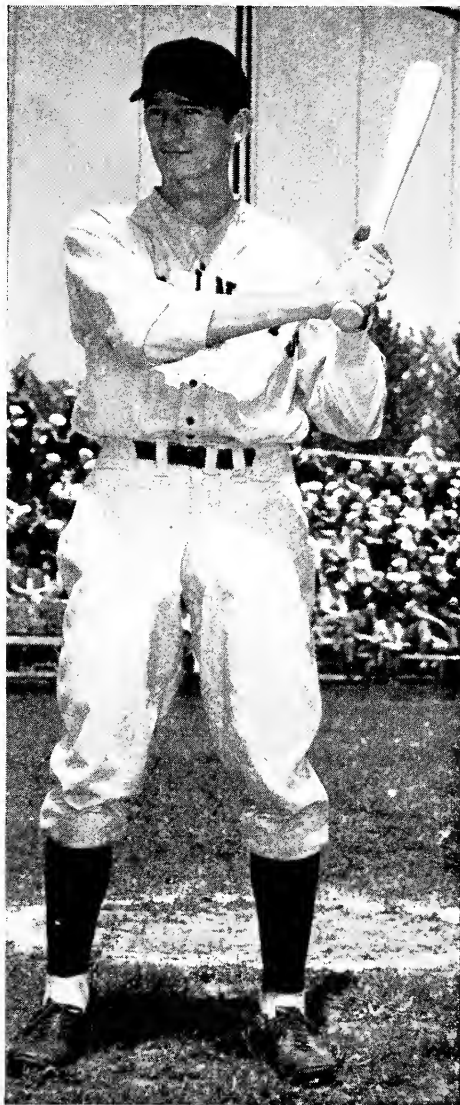
**HARRY BROWN**

Harry played first base for Northbridge High of Whitinsville, Mass. where he hit .375. He graduated in 1945 and entered Rhode Island State College. He played right field in his Freshman Year and hit .300. That summer, he was starting first baseman in the first annual New England All-Star Game which is played in Braves Field, Boston, under the lights. He got one for two, stole a base, and scored the first run of the game. Last year, he wasn't in school because of illness at home; however, during the summer, he hit .325 in the Blackstone Valley League which was composed of many college stars such as Frank Quinn of Yale, and Jack Murphy of Amherst. He is nineteen years old, stands six feet three inches, weighs 195, and throws left and bats right. He will play first base for Rhode Island State.

## **BOUDREAU LEADS BIG SIX**

Lou Boudreau, Alpha Deuteron, short-stop and manager of the Cleveland Indians is leading the American and National Leagues in batting. As The SIGNET goes to press he is the top man of the Big Six with a batting average of .459.

The Indians also won the six ball-games in a row before dropping their



**BILL PRENTISS**

Brother Bill Prentiss, Alpha Deuteron, is proving that he has lost none of his pre-war athletic ability as he is now a member of the University of Illinois' baseball team. Bill also won a letter in ice hockey in 1943.

first game in the season just getting under way.

# Nu Triton Inducted at Hartwick

By JAMES P. BANKS, *Nu Triton* '49

The Alpha Delta Omega fraternity of Hartwick College, Oneonta, New York, oldest greek letter brotherhood at the College of the Catskills, was formally inducted as the Nu Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa in an impressive ceremony at the College, Friday and Saturday, April 9 and 10.

The induction was the realization of a fond hope cherished by loyal brothers of Alpha Delta Omega since its inception as a fraternal order in 1929.

In that year, A. D. O. tried foundling legs and moved forward hand in hand with infant Hartwick College, a neophyte among liberal arts institutions. Both College and fraternity have advanced steadily and surely since that date.

In cognizance with the words of Dr. Henry J. Arnold, President of the College, who stated at the induction banquet that, "the installation of Alpha Delta Omega Fraternity as the Nu Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa is indicative of the steady progress of Hartwick College," so the members of the Nu Triton feel that their affiliation with Phi Sigma Kappa is a tremendous step forward and the fulfillment of an A.D.O. ambition.

Hartwick College has a rich and full history dating back to 1797. In that year, Hartwick Seminary was established under the provisions of the will of the Rev. John Christopher Hartwick, a missionary pastor of the Lutheran Church. The Seminary, located three miles from Cooperstown, was eventually moved to New York City and remained active until 1941. The old Seminary buildings were used in the establishment of Hartwick Academy.

In 1928 the school was uprooted again and the present college of liberal arts and sciences was situated at Oneonta,

some twenty miles from the site of the old Seminary. In its present location, the College reposes on what is known as Oyaron Hill and commands a magnificent view of seven valleys of the Susquehanna River.

With the establishment of Hartwick at Oneonta as the Lutheran supported College of the Hills, the formation of Alpha Delta Omega was effected. Since that date, A.D.O. has retained its standing as the foremost fraternal order on Oyaron Hill. The induction of the fraternity as the Nu Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa has increased the stature, breadth, and scope of this brotherhood.

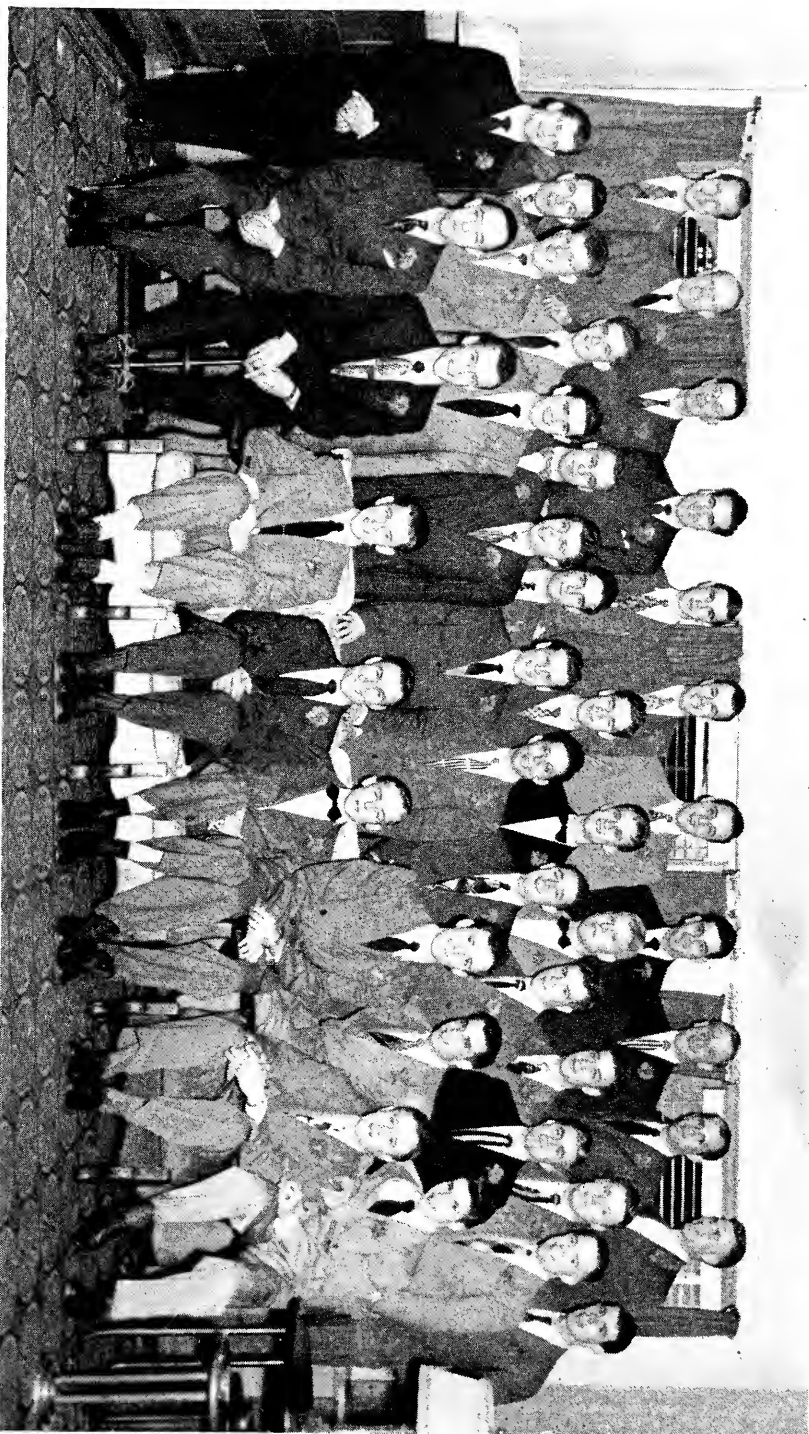
The Second World Conflict was almost a crushing blow to the existence of A.D.O. During the war years only a handful of students pursued a course of study at Hartwick. The program at the College was subsidized somewhat by an active Student Nursing program.

Following the capitulation of the Axis forces and, later, the Japanese, six members of Alpha Delta Omega returned to the campus and placed the brotherhood on an active basis. Pledges were honored and the fraternity roll showed a steady increase.

In the spring of 1947, the first plans for a national affiliation were discussed. Numerous fraternities were considered and it was finally decided to approach Phi Sigma Kappa, as a national group with compatible ideals, purposes, and customs.

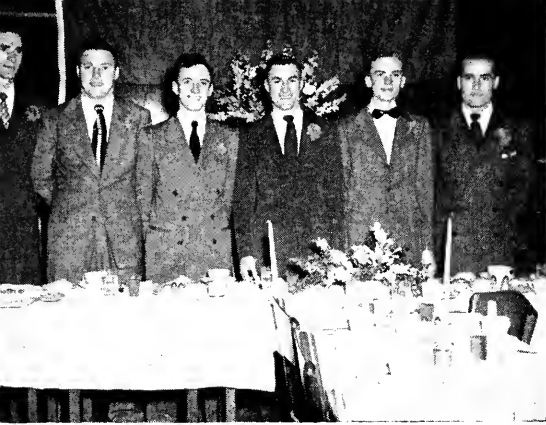
The national organization sent Brother William N. Zimmerman, Rho Deuteron, '47, Phi Sig Field Secretary, to Oneonta in October for the purpose of meeting, conferring, and reporting about Alpha Delta Omega.

In December, a formal petition was prepared and sent to the headquarters of



MEMBERS OF THE NU TRITON CHAPTER

Inducted as members of the Nu Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa are, front row, seated, left to right: Dr. Ross Harrison, an alumnus, John L. Baker, Keith R. Vosburg, Laurence J. Longo, Richard D. Clark, Adrian R. Teller, Joseph C. Brunetto, William L. Decker, an alumnus, and Carl Laurenti; Second row — Francis C. Sullivan, Robert A. Foote, Richard A. Kraham, Stephen Thompson, Donald H. Allen, A. John Gironda, William H. Madden, Edward H. Gates, Fred J. Sant Angelo, and James P. Banks; Third Row — Harold L. Bradley, an alumnus, Edward Huettinger, Richard A. Beardsley, George W. Lipp, Stuart Showell, Garret Huyer, Stanley S. Wilczynski, Howard Beasley, Joseph E. Kaminski, and Laurence J. Kelly; Fourth Row — W. Tasker Witham, Dale W. Paton, Dr. Arthur Reents, all Faculty Charter members; Kenneth N. Hardy, Harrison S. Forde, Donald L. Becraft, Ian H. Nemlich, Savio V. Palmucci, Raymond H. Bullis, John W. Synal, and Stephen Cembrinski.



#### NU TRITON OFFICERS

Installed as officers of the Nu Triton Chapter are, left to right: Stuart Shotwell, treasurer; Joseph E. Kaminski, sentinel; Adrian R. Teller, vice-president; Laurence J. Longo, president; Richard D. Clark, secretary; and Kenneth N. Hardy, inductor. These officers handled similar duties while directing the inducted Alpha Delta Omega Fraternity.

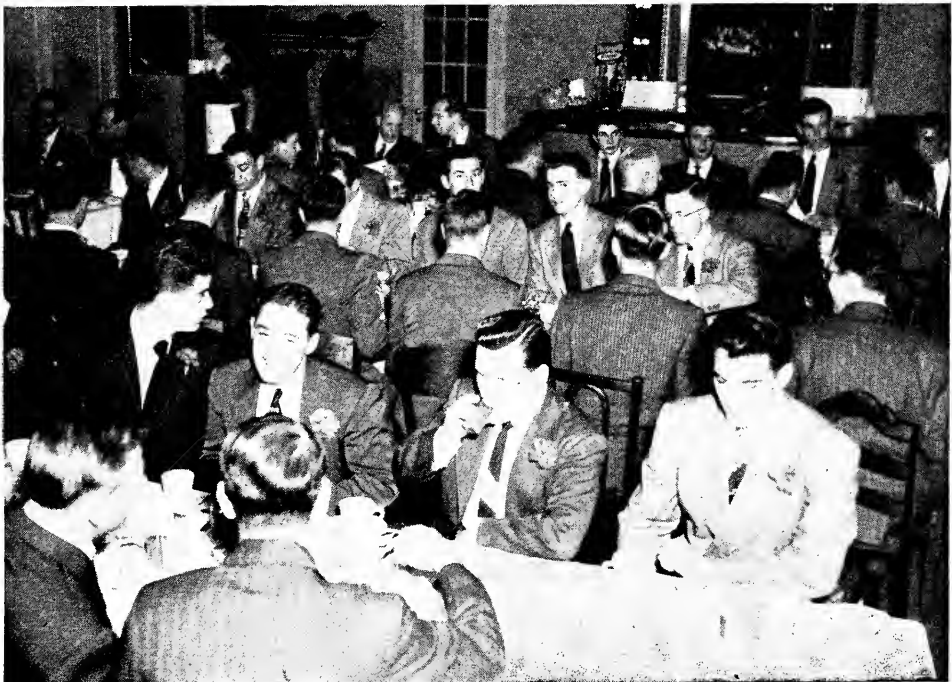
Phi Sigma Kappa. This report was aided by the invaluable assistance of Dr. Wallace R. Klinger, Dean, the Administration, and Phi Sigma Kappa Alumni located in Oneonta.

The petition was favorably acted upon

and the induction date was set for April 9 and 10. Brother Donald G. Downing, Epsilon Deuteron, '26, Director of Region One, was appointed to handle the installation assisted by a six-man induction team from the Beta Chapter at Union College, Schenectady.

Brother Downing and the Beta induction team arrived during the afternoon of the 9th, a Friday, and were lodged at the Hotel Oneonta.

Thirty-six active members of A.D.O., five alumni members, and four faculty charter members were conducted through pledging ceremonies that evening in the College's Little Theatre. Brother Herbert L. Brown, National President, guided the Nu Triton Chapter through initiation rituals and chapter induction during all-day ceremonies on Saturday. A formal banquet attended by over 70 members and guests was held that evening in the main dining room of the New Windsor Hotel. It was a fitting



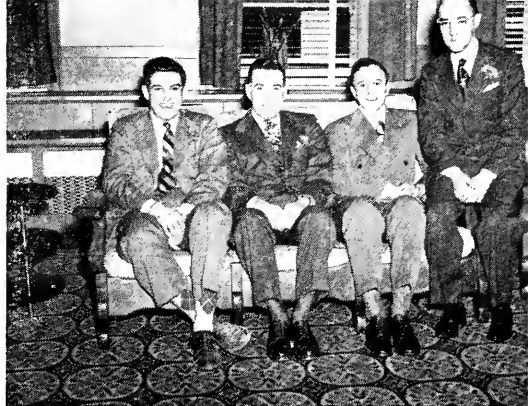
NU TRITON INDUCTION BANQUET



climax to a red-letter day for the Nu Triton Chapter.

A stirring and thought-provoking address was delivered by the National President as the main speaker at the banquet. "We are in a desperate need of true brotherhood in this world today," were the fitting words delivered by President Brown, "We must develop character. I am confident that we will meet this challenge and will be proud of the part that fraternities will play in effecting this end." The National President of Phi Sigma Kappa congratulated the Nu Triton Chapter on its induction and stated, further, that he was confident of its continued strength and success.

Dr. Henry J. Arnold, President of the College, spoke on behalf of the Administration and faculty and lauded the Nu Triton Chapter on its installation,



#### CHARTER ALUMNI MEMBERS OF NU TRITON

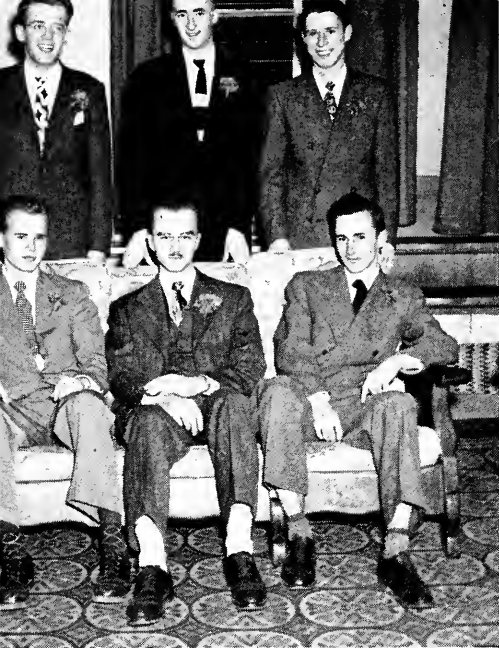
Four of the five alumni members that were inducted into the Nu Triton Chapter are pictured above. They are, left to right: John Disbrow, '43, Harold L. Bradley, '34, William L. Decker, '47, all of Ononta; and Dr. Ross Harrison, '33, Southborough, Mass. Leonard Rhyndes, '36, also of Ononta, was absent at the time the picture was taken.

pointing out that its induction was indicative, as stated earlier, of the steady progress evident at Hartwick. President



#### SPEAKERS TABLE, NU TRITON INDUCTION BANQUET

Left to right, Dr. Ross Harrison, '33, Alumni representative; Dr. Henry J. Arnold, President of the College; Herbert L. Brown, National President; Laurence J. Longo, President of the Nu Triton Chapter and Toastmaster; Donald G. Downing, Director of Region One; Dr. Arthur Reents, Faculty Charter Member and fraternity adviser; Rev. Boyd McCleary, Chi, '07, and Curtis Bates, Xi, '30.



#### BETA INDUCTION TEAM

Members of the Beta Induction Team from Union College, Schenectady, are: left to right, front row, Lee De Graff, '50, inductor; Frederick Budnik, '48, president; James Richards, '50, secretary; rear row: William Hio, '50, treasurer; Arthur Kean, '50, vice-president; and Lloyd Kieran, '50, sentinel.

Arnold stated, further, that he was happy to have this great national fraternity located on the campus. It was the belief of the President that the A.D.O. Fraternity had lifted its sights to a larger challenge and a greater outlook by its induction as the Nu Triton Chapter.

Dr. Arthur Reents, faculty adviser and charter member of the new Chapter, considered the induction as a challenge to the active members of the fraternity for continued success and advancement. As adviser and a brother, Dr. Reents accepted the challenge and was firm in his feeling that brother Phi Sigs will be proud of the Nu Triton Chapter.

Dr. Ross Harrison, '33, an inductee who spoke on behalf of the A.D.O. Alumni, traced the progress of A.D.O. and predicted a closer union of alumni as a direct result of the induction.

Brother Downing, a steady hand throughout the ceremonies, offered his congratulations as Regional Director. He

thanked the Beta Chapter for a job well done and added that the Nu Triton Chapter would prove itself to be a valuable addition to the Phi Sigma Kappa brotherhood.

Rev. Boyd McCleary, Chi '07, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Oneonta, offered grace. Laurence J. Longo, President of the Nu Triton Chapter, acted as Toastmaster. He read numerous congratulatory telegrams and letters from Phi Sig Chapters and brothers throughout the nation.

Honored guests at the banquet besides President Brown, Director Downing, and the Beta induction team were Harry M. Cregier, Beta, '24, a diesel engineer with the American Locomotive Corporation at Schenectady; Curtis Bates, Xi, '30, a chemist with General Cable Company in Rome; Louis Mann, Theta, '17, postmaster and publisher from Cobleskill; and Henry B. Whitbeck, Beta, '37, an attorney now located in Richmondville.

Local guests besides President Arnold were Dr. Klinger, Dean; Dr. Martha Storek, Dean of Women; Mr. Charles R. Eisenhart, Dean of Men; Miss F. Aurill Bishop, Registrar; Mr. Donald M. Gibbons, '48, Delta Sigma Phi, President of the Student Association and representative of the Inter-Fraternity Council; Vedder B. Driscoll, '50, representative of Delta Sigma Phi; Mr. Gerald J. Miller, '48, Alpha Sigma Phi; Mr. Walter R. Rafferty, '50, Theta Chi Rho; Miss Phyllis Clark, '49, Gamma Phi Delta; Miss Ruth J. Wood, '50, Sigma Delta Mu; and Katrina Rudd, '48, Phi Sigma Phi.

Members of the Beta induction team from Union were Frederick Budnik, '48, President, Valley Stream, L.I.; Arthur Kean, '50, Vice-President, Maplewood, N. J.; James Richards, '50, Secretary, Rochester; William Hio, '50, Treasurer, Gloversville; Lloyd Kieran, '50, Sentinel, Merrick, L. I.; and Lee De Graff, '50, Inductor, Fort Johnson.



Initiated as Faculty Charter Members besides Brother Reents were Dale W. Patton, Head of the Music Department; W. Tasker Witham of the English Department; and Rev. Arne Unhjem of the Department of Religion.

Alumni initiated into the Chapter were Harold L. Bradley, '34, Oneonta, Coach of Basketball and Director of Alumni Activities at Hartwick College; Leonard Rhyndes, '36, John Disbrow, '43, and William L. Decker, '47, all Oneonta businessmen; and Dr. Harrison, '33, presently an instructor at St. Mark's Preparatory School, Southborough, Mass.

Active members of the Nu Triton Chapter are Donald H. Allen, '50, Glov-

ersville; John L. Baker, '49, Oneonta; James P. Banks, '49, Oneonta; Richard A. Beardsley, '51, Norwich; Howard Beasley, '50, Dolgeville; Donald L. Beecraft, '50, Suffern; Joseph C. Brunetto, '50, Johnstown; Raymond H. Bullis, '50, Ilion; Stephen Cembrinski, '50, Chepachet; Richard D. Clark, '50, Binghamton; Robert A. Foote, '50, North Adams, Mass.; Harrison S. Forde, '50, Kingston; Edward H. Gates, '50, West Winfield; A. John Gironda, '51, Mamaroneck; Kenneth N. Hardy, '49, Utica; Garret Huyer, '49, Naranja Terrace, Fla.; Joseph E. Kaminski, '49, Herkimer; Laurence J. Longo, '49, Herkimer; Laurence J. Kelly, '49, Ilion; Richard A. Kraham,



#### FRATERNITY BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

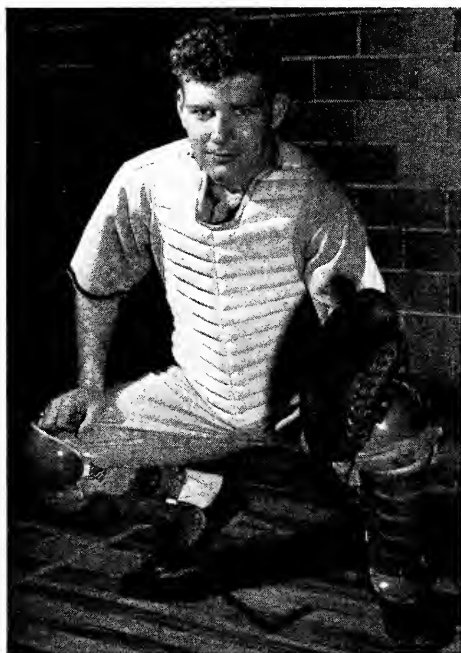
The basketball forces of the Nu Triton Chapter at Hartwick College successfully defended two titles during the past winter. The team, winners in 20 out of 25 games, won the Championships of the Hartwick Intramural League and the Oneonta Municipal League for the second consecutive year.

Members of the team are, front row, left to right: Harrison S. Forde, '50; Laurence J. Kelly, '49; Joseph E. Kaminski, '49; and Laurence J. Longo, '49; rear row—Richard D. Clark, '50, scorer; Stanley S. Wilczynski, '50; John W. Syndal, '49; Delbert Collis, '50; and Keith R. Vosburg, '49, Manager. The team was coached by Dr. Arthur Reents, faculty adviser and Nu Triton charter member.

'49, Cooperstown; Carl Laurent, '50, Johnstown; George W. Lipp, '51, Babylon, L. I.; William H. Madden, '49, Ridgewood, N. J.; Ian H. Nemlich, '50, Elmsford; Savio V. Palmucci, '51, Derby, Conn.; Fred J. Sant Angelo, '51, Derby, Conn.; Stuart Shotwell, '50, Greenlawn, L. I.; Francis C. Sullivan, '49, Oneonta; John W. Synal, '49, New Hartford; Adrian R. Teller, '49, Plainfield, N. J.; Stephen Thompson, '50, Johnstown; Keith R. Vosburg, '49, Oneonta; Stanley S. Wilczynski, '50, New York Mills; and Edward Huettinger, '51, Kingston.

Members of the fraternity who were pledged and will be initiated at a later date are Albert DeVries, '49, New City;

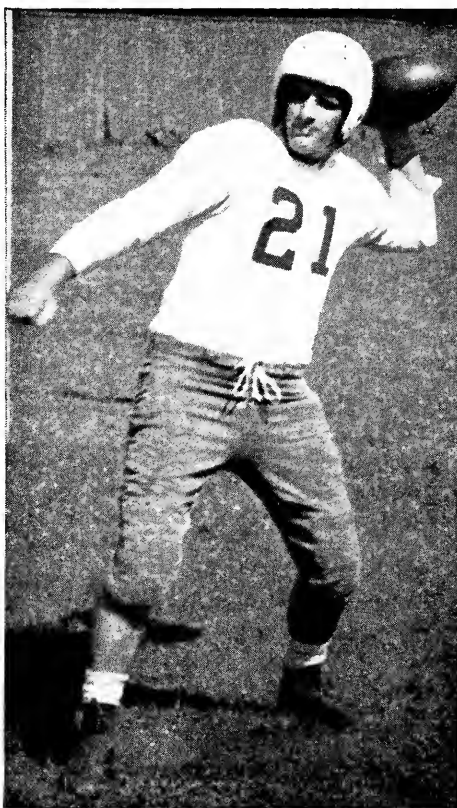
### ELECTED BASEBALL CAPTAIN



Brother Robert A. Foote, Nu Triton, '50, has been elected to captain the 1948 Hartwick College baseball team. A catcher, Brother Foote succeeds Brother Richard A. Kraham, '49, leader of the 1947 nine.

Brother Foote was also the varsity quarterback on an Iroquois football team that won five out of nine games. Eight of the eleven starters on the Hartwick grid machine are Phi Sigs.

### ELECTED FOOTBALL CAPTAIN



Brother John W. Synal, Nu Triton, '49, was elected recently to succeed Brother Raymond H. Bullis, '50, as captain of the Hartwick College football team.

Brother Synal, a halfback, was the leading ground gainer for the Iroquois last fall. Brother Bullis was varsity guard.

The captaincy is Synal's third. He also led the 1946-47 basketball team and was coach and captain of the golf team. Brother Synal also won a Block "H" for baseball.

and Robert J. Hopkins, '48, Elizabeth, N. J. Paul H. Maloney, South Aurora, a former student and an A.D.O., will also become a member at a later date.

The first meeting of the Nu Triton Chapter was held at the time of the Chapter induction. Present officers of Alpha Delta Omega were formally installed in corresponding positions in the Nu Triton Chapter. These officers are Brother Longo, President; Brother Adrian R.

Teller, Vice-President; Brother Richard D. Clark, Secretary; Brother Stuart Shotwell, Treasurer; Brother Joseph E. Kaminski, Sentinel; and Brother Kenneth N. Hardy, Inductor.

President Longo, who has worked tirelessly in establishing the Nu Triton Chapter at Hartwick, wishes to extend this message: "As President of the new Chapter it is my desire to extend the wholehearted appreciation and thanks of the Nu Triton Chapter to President Brown, Director Downing, and the Beta induction team for their fine interest and cooperation in making our installation a success. Further, I wish to thank Brothers Zimmerman, the Field Director, and Earl F Schoening, Secretary and Editor of *THE SIGNET*, for their assistance.

"The Nu Triton Chapter is also indebted to loyal brothers Richard D. Clark, Donald H. Allen, Garret Huyer, John W. Synal, and Keith R. Vosburg for their tireless efforts.

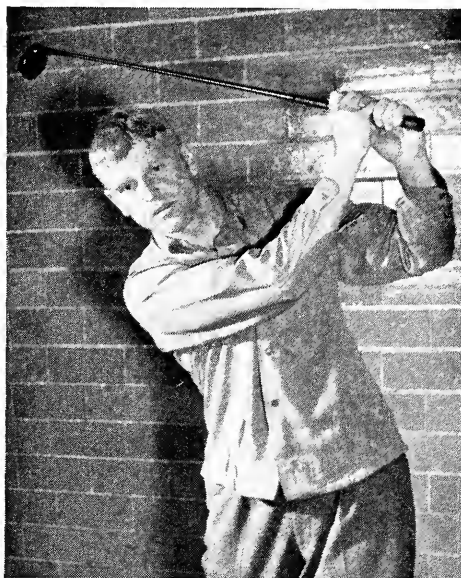
"I speak for the entire Nu Triton Chapter when I say that we are proud to be members of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity. Our every endeavor will be in keeping with the policies and customs of this national brotherhood. It is our sworn policy to strengthen our position at Hartwick and to make our brothers the nation over proud of the Nu Triton Chapter."

It must be added that the Nu Triton Chapter has already made steps to that end. Brothers Richard A. Beardsley, Richard D. Clark, and Francis C. Sullivan have been placed on the Dean's List for scholastic endeavor.

In athletics, Brother Robert A. Foote was elected to captain the 1948 baseball team, succeeding Brother Richard A. Kraham; Brother Stanley S. Wilczynski was appointed captain of the golf team, replacing Brother John S. Synal; and Brother Synal, a four-sport star, was elected to captain the 1948 football team, succeeding Brother Raymond H. Bullis.

In basketball during the past winter,

## APPOINTED GOLF CAPTAIN



Brother Stanley S. Wilczynski, Nu Triton, '50, was recently appointed to succeed Brother John W. Synal, '49, as captain of the Hartwick College Golf Team. Brother Wilczynski, a steady and consistent golfer, is also varsity tackle on the Iroquois football team.

the Nu Triton representatives won the Intramural League crown and also the Oneonta Municipal League championship, both for the second consecutive year.

## WATT'S GUEST OF BETA TRITON

Director at Large, Ralph J. Watts, Alpha '07, was the banquet speaker at the joint Founders' Day celebration of Beta Triton, Alpha Deuteron, and Delta Triton Chapters held in the Rose Ballroom of the Hotel Custer, Galesburg, Illinois, Saturday night, March 13. Large delegations from each of the two neighboring chapters were on hand for the celebration, one of the best ever held by these three chapters in their long tradition of celebrating Founders' Day together.

**Robert Meir**, Delta Triton '33, is principal of the Klondike High School in West Lafayette, Indiana.

# Bentley's Galley

JULIAN BENTLEY, Beta Triton '30  
News Commentator for  
Columbia Broadcasting System



Phi Sigma Kappa and other fraternities have an opportunity to strike a blow for democracy. It's as simple and cheap a matter as pencils.

In our occupation zone of Germany we have gone to great lengths to de-nazify the universities, both textbook and faculty-wise. Students, to gain entrance, must pass through a rigid screening, and even after many have been rejected, there are still thousands more seeking admission than there are facilities to handle them. Equipment such as pencils, notebooks, paper and so on is desperately short. When I visited German universities 18 months ago, I gave away what few pencils I carried with me to German students. They were more precious than gold to them. They told me they lacked pencils, notebooks, and supplies of all kinds.

It occurred to me that when you can't take lecture notes you must rely more on your memory. And when your food ration is below normal, your memory is not as efficient. As I related in an earlier Galley, students attended classes in unheated buildings where winter temperatures were frequently at the freezing mark. Cases of students and elderly professors fainting away were every day occurrences. Still, the students with whom I talked seemed willing to try.

Our best hope of bringing a measure of democratic ideas to Germany, I believe, rests with the university students.

Can we not help them a little at practically no cost to ourselves?

I have been checking with the Pentagon on what supplies would be acceptable in the American zone universities. The War Department has promised to send full information, including an overseas shipping address, but at press time it has not arrived. We do know that, for one thing, pencils are acceptable.

I should like to suggest that Phi Sigma Kappa take the lead among American fraternities in "adopting" some of these German universities, in the matter of school supplies. If every chapter house would appoint a pledge to collect half-used pencils, or even pencil stubs, and mail a package once a month, it would do great good without doubt. Alumni also might clear out their desks, in home and office, and forward pencil stubs to their home chapters for shipment.

In the autumn issue of *The SIGNET*, we plan to print the War Department's list of supplies that would be accepted, together with the shipping address. Technical magazines and food parcels also would do great good. But we'll need to await War Department instructions on matters like that.

If we want democracy in Germany, we should extend a fraternal helping hand to fellow students abroad.

I should very much appreciate suggestions from Brothers who may have ideas for expanding such a program.

# Behind the "Iron Curtain" In Yugoslavia

By MILO V. PRICE, *Eta Deuteron '49*

Several years ago a queer man with a funny little mustache engaged in the paper hanger's business in Vienna, Austria. Later, this man found sixty million Germans to follow him in his mad ambition to become the dictator of the whole world.

Today we are confronted with a doctrine, carried out by men whose ambitions are also known to the whole world

—ambitions that mean the destruction of every democracy in the world, and, since we are the greatest of those democracies, it means more to us than to any other nation in the world. Today, this

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Author's Note: I, Milo V. Price, was born in the town of Bestma, Yugoslavia, on May 15, 1924. After completing elementary education in that country my father sent me to the United States to my uncle to continue my education in this country. I came to the United States in the fall of 1936. In 1943 I graduated from Elko County High School in Elko, Nevada, and was immediately drafted into the U. S. Army. After a period of training in the Zone of Interior, I was sent to the European Theatre with the 99th Infantry Division. In the fall of 1944 I was wounded in Germany and sent to a hospital for several months. In May of 1945 I was assigned to the 1st Infantry Division as a Battalion Sergeant Major, in which capacity I served until my discharge in June of 1946.

I had not heard from my family in Yugoslavia since the German invasion of the country in 1942. While with the 1st Infantry Division I requested a compassionate leave to visit with my family in Yugoslavia. In March of 1946 I was granted a leave and I proceeded on the journey to Yugoslavia, having obtained all the necessary visas and documents. When I arrived in my home town in Yugoslavia I found only my father and brother alive. My mother and three sisters were declared dead. They had been captured by terrorist groups in Yugoslavia and had been placed in a concentration camp in Yugoslavia where they perished.

While in Yugoslavia I had an opportunity to closely observe the operation of the Communist party, having thorough knowledge of the language and the customs of the country. The complete picture of my observations cannot be indicated in a few pages, but the most important events are described in the accompanying sheets.

After my discharge from the Armed Forces I entered the University of Nevada as a pre-legal student. Presently I am a junior, with hopes of entering a law school next fall.

I have been the Secretary to the *Eta Deuteron* Chapter here at Nevada, and presently am the House Manager of the chapter.



MILO V. PRICE

doctrine is the most menacing world force. It is an imperial conspiracy with a global aim. It seeks to set up a system of centrally directed world Soviets. To do that it must destroy established order everywhere, especially in the United States, because America is its chief opponent. It works through confusion, uncertainty, and the undermining of faith. It promotes misery as a preparation for

the "revolution." It seeks a proletariat of uprooted people. It has a morality of its own, employs violence, uses death, deceit, and violates obligations. It scorns compassion and debases the individual judgment. It functions as a totalitarian state, using men and material forces as idols. In its basic teachings and practices it is opposed to the basic teachings and practices of Christianity. This doctrine is commonly known as COMMUNISM.

Of all the countries in the Balkan bloc, Yugoslavia serves best to illustrate the Communist aspiration to dominate the world. The Soviet Russian model is being followed as carefully as possible in economy, diplomacy, police methods, anti-clericalism, and above all, political

tion that this direction is good for the majority in the long run.

In every village and town, Generalissimo Stalin's picture can be seen posted



Communist Demonstration on Main Street of Belgrade.



PEASANT GIRL IN NATIVE DRESS

beside Tito's. In Belgrade store display windows can be seen stocks of UNNRA food with a picture of Stalin and Tito on each side and a Red banner connecting them reading "long live the Red army."

Fear reigns. It is a fear now more implicit than actual; a fear of the midnight rap on the door by the dread secret police. Any reader who dislikes Communism for itself will naturally debunk Communism and the program it is seeking to effect. Pro-Communists will admire it. It is not a democracy.

The regime's ruthless devotion to its program echoes subterranean misery, its police jails, state prisons and court rooms and behind shuttered windows of those who disagree with Communism—and they are many. The misery is mirrored in the eyes of hungry holders of the most meager ration cards, who cannot obtain jobs because their political orientation is found wanting.

Article 6 of the Constitution guarantees free elections. Even Communist leaders privately acknowledge, however, that they have not been held.

Article 18 of the Constitution guarantees private property and private initiative if it does not interfere with the "common

theory. A tiny minority regime made up of stringently disciplined Communist cadres is dictating its will to the Yugoslav people on the philosophical assump-

interest." Nevertheless, private business has been expropriated and the owners jailed as collaborators in innumerable instances, when they were out of the coun-



Monument erected to the victory of Tito's partisans — Main Street of Belgrade.

try during the war and could not have collaborated. Bank managers have been arrested, often on trumped-up charges, and their property has been confiscated. The way this has been worked out was described by an underground leader of the Croatia Peasant Party as follows:

"All the leading bank officials, insurance companies, industrialists and large merchants have been declared collaborators and condemned to forced labor, with their private possessions and property they managed confiscated by the state."

Article 25 guarantees freedom of religion, but an obvious campaign is under way to smash the Catholic Church.

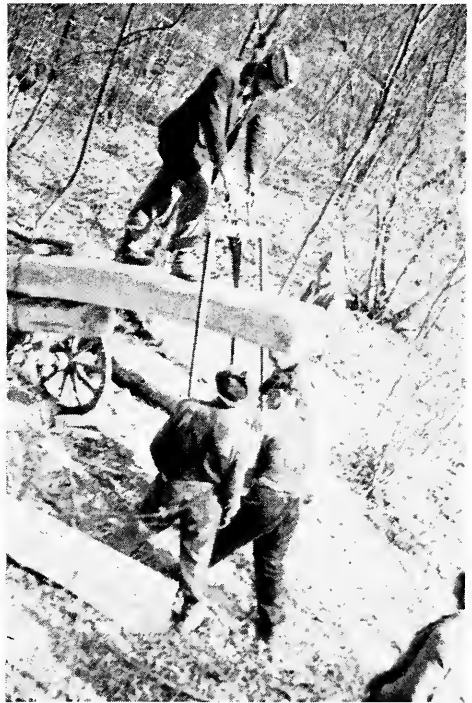
Article 27 guarantees the freedom of the press, speech and assembly. This is a joke. No opposition paper appears, citizens are not permitted to carry on a conversation with anyone whom they know to be from a capitalistic country, and assemblies are only forced pro-Communist demonstrations.

Article 28 guarantees the inviolability of persons and states, that no one can be detained more than three days without a written decision of the public prosecutor or a law court. But that the jails are full of cases of persons who have been

imprisoned for months without having been charged is common knowledge throughout the country.

It is not unnatural or illogical that Russia should be reflected everywhere. Shops are full of Russian books, most of them published after the 1917 bolshevik revolution. The Yugoslav Army is in receipt of new uniforms like that of the Soviet Army, and new Russian equipment; Soviet newspapers are in all cafes.

The NKVD has its own prison near Belgrade. Not long ago there was a jail break there. Russian soldiers cordoned off the entire area, taking over the search without Yugoslav help. Yugoslav citizens are occasionally arrested by the NKVD



Yugoslav peasants sawing planks out of logs for building material.

and sent to the Russian prisons. Russian Army officers can be seen in every train depot and every train.

Although the Yugoslav people appear



to entertain friendly feelings toward the Western powers, especially the United States, the government's official propaganda is steadily working up antipathy and seeking to depict America as an evil, aggressive power. There have been positive as well as mere propaganda moves by the Belgrade government against the Western powers, especially the United States. The U. S. Information Service was closed by a Yugoslav order, although Soviet propaganda is evident throughout the land. Few Western publications are permitted to circulate. From time to time, demonstrations of a supposed spontaneous nature are organized against the United States and Britain.

When Marshall Tito's Yugoslav Partisan movement took over the leadership, its aim was to create a state as near as possible to the Soviet Union. Fundamentally the Yugoslav Constitution has been copied from the Stalin Constitution, although the country still is called a "People's Republic" and not a Soviet Republic. As in the Soviet Union, the nation is divided into full republics, autonomous regions and autonomous provinces.

The control of the Communist party over all forms of life is evident. Thus nobody can be employed without authorization in the form of a "karakteristika" from the ministry of interior. The jobless have to exist on minimal ration cards, eking out extra food in the open market by selling their belongings.

The case of Yugoslavia is more than tragic. The entire nation, after having lost more than a million people during the war, is now controlled by the most ruthless Communist regime in the Balkans. Throughout the war years Gen. Draza Mihailovich's troops were able to defend a large part of the population from the Communist terror, but today 14 million Yugoslavs are left completely to the mercy of a Soviet trained tyrant, Josip Broz-Tito.

The free press of the Western world now refers to Yugoslavia as a horrible example of communist excesses and as an illustration of the greatest misfortune that can befall a country and a people who have formerly experienced democracy.

During the four years of civil war against the democratic forces of General Mihailovich, Tito, who represented only the small minority of Yugoslav Communists, but who was armed by British and American assistance, was responsible for the death of several hundred thousand Serbs.

By means of a controlled press and radio, Tito has tried in every possible way to persuade the Yugoslav people that the Communist party totalitarian rule is a "democracy" and that "capitalistic slavery" is a lot of the Western world; that the only real "democrats" are the supporters of Tito's regime, and that all those who resist the bolshevization of the country are "fascists"; that the war against the Nazis was fought almost single handed by the Red Army; that the Communist party in Yugoslavia was the only guerilla resistance force and all the others were "collaborators"; that all activities of the Communist party are expressions of the "people's will" and that everything else is "reaction and fascism."

#### PHIL. CLUB FOUNDERS' DAY

There were 110 Phi Sigs at the Founders' Day dinner sponsored by the Philadelphia Club. Twenty-eight classes were represented, including brothers from Gamma, Iota, Kappa and Nu.

Among the prominent guests were W. Gordon Smith, Mu '02, one of the founders of Mu Chapter, and William A. McIntyre, Mu '04, the 24th initiate of Mu Chapter. He is a member of the Court of Honor and was President of Phi Sigma Kappa from 1912 to 1914.

"Billy Mac" has just returned from an eight-weeks vacation trip to Pinehurst, North Carolina and points in Kentucky.



# So Easy It Hurts

By ROBERT LOWE KUNZIG, *Mu '39*

Last Fourth of July I stood in front of the Ambassador Hotel in Prague and listened to America being cheered.

The Stars and Stripes waved in the crisp summer breeze from the rooftops of building after building. Crowds of loyal Czechs shouted the praises of their western neighbor and sang American songs. They were celebrating OUR holiday — brimming over with affection for the nation that created their country and then set them free.

Now it's all over. The communists have done it again. It's so easy, it hurts.

As Prosecutor of the Buchenwald war crimes case, I was invited to Prague to be the guest of Deputy Prime Minister Peter Zenkl. The old gentleman, Mayor of Prague for many years, is greatly venerated by his people. As chief of the Czech National Socialist Party he headed up the biggest single anti-communist group in Czechoslovakia.

For years he suffered agonies in German concentration camps. After liberation he was made head of the Association of former Political Prisoners. The people idolized him.

Now that same organization "expelled" Peter Zenkl. Deputy Prime Minister, — but he isn't good enough.

What do you think?

I talked at length with Dr. Prokop Drtina, Minister of Justice until a few days ago. He emphasized how important free courts were to a free nation. Western in his ideas, liberal and democratic in his sense of justice, Dr. Drtina was able to balk the communists time after time.

He asked many questions about our courts and our judicial system in Philadelphia and Pennsylvania. The information he sought won't do much good now.

Dr. Drtina was found lying in the

bushes outside his home in Prague with a fractured skull.

A suicide attempt, said the commies.

Excuses are really uninspired these days.

But then, there's no need for the reds to pretend. We sit on this side of the



ROBERT L. KUNZIG

Atlantic and watch Europe taken over nation by nation for the second time in ten years. And we still question the necessity for the Marshall Plan. What a laugh the Russians must be having.

How do you "take over" a nation? It's easy. Get control of a minority party. Elect a few delegates. Put your men in as Ministers of Interior and Justice. That gives you the police and control over elections and law and order. Then announce your demands . . . The country's yours.

Madame Palantova, Deputy Lord Mayor of Prague, gave a dinner in honor of her American friends on the Fourth of July. She's also President of the American-Czech Friendship League. Madame Palantova told me, "Just watch how a minority which has to fight to get 38% of the vote, tries to run our country. But we'll beat them at the next elections in '48. The people are on our side now. They've learned the truth about communism."

But the people don't count in Czechoslovakia anymore. The plucky lady-mayor, who visited Philadelphia last year, won't be making any more friendship tours. And there won't be any elections in '48, either. If there are, that 38% communist vote will be a resounding 99%. The fate of a wonderful, fighting people is sealed.

Over here in the United States we have just a small percentage of communists.

That is, it's small now . . .

Are we to go the way of Dr. Zenkl, Madame Palantova and Dr. Drtina? The way of the free Czech nation?

It's so easy, it hurts.

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### BUSCEMI ON ALL-STAR FOOTBALL SQUAD

Alpha Deuteron alum Joe Buscemi has been invited to be a member of this year's collegiate All-Star football squad. The collegians will be opposed by the Chicago Cardinals, professional champions, in a game to be held next August in Chicago's Soldiers Field. Joe will take time off from his job with the White Truck Company to participate with the collegians and expects to regain and display his high football prowess so often demonstrated as a member of the University of Illinois football team.

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H. B. Fulford, Delta Triton '34, is now associated with Igleheart's Milling Company, Evansville, Indiana.

### COLLINS MAKES FOUNDERS' DAY TOUR

D. R. Collins, Gamma Deuteron '17, Regional Director from Region IV, visited Delta Deuteron Chapter on Friday, March 12, addressed the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Detroit at its Founders' Day Dinner held in the Hotel Statler on March 13 at 6:30 and from there went to Columbus, Ohio. On Sunday morning, March 14, he conferred with National President Brown who arranged to meet Brother Collins at the Fort Hayes Hotel en route to Amherst, Massachusetts from Lexington, Kentucky where Brother Brown attended a Founders' Day celebration of Phi Deuteron Chapter the night before. Brother Collins was the principal speaker at the Founders' Day Dinner of Pi Deuteron Chapter on Sunday, and Monday found him the guest speaker at the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Akron Founders' Day Dinner held at Semler's Hotel in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. Other guests at this dinner included the Honorable Judge Doyle, President Hayes Simmons, and Dr. R. V. Sherman, Faculty Adviser.

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### CHICAGO CLUB LUNCHEONS

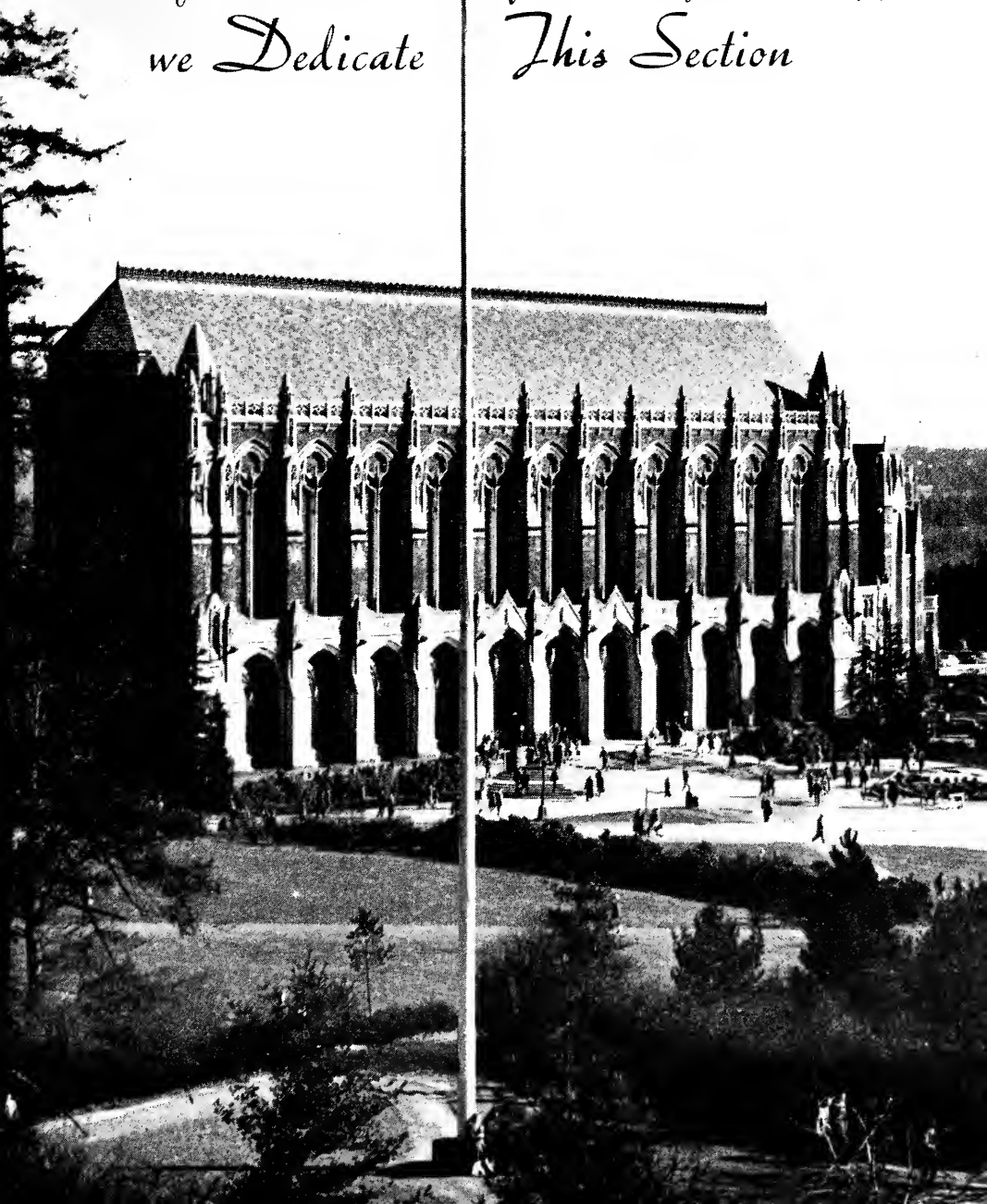
A cordial invitation is extended to all Chicago area and visiting alumni to have luncheon at the regular Tuesday Phi Sig luncheon at the Chicago Bar Association, Main Dining Room, 29 South La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois. We meet every Tuesday between 12:00 and 1:30 P. M. at the table which is on the right of the buffet table in this grand dining room, serving nothing but the best food obtainable in Chicago. You do yourself an injustice by not attending these luncheons and we particularly urge Phi Sigs passing through the city to join us.

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R. H. Rogers, Delta Triton '20, is associated with the Farm Economics Department at South Dakota State College.

To Lambda  
In Recognition  
Twenty-five  
of Service to  
we Dedicate

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# Lambda Deuteron Celebrates Twenty-fifth Anniversary

By GERALD LOVE



A M B D A Deuteron's twenty-fifth anniversary provided a memorable addition to this year's Founders' Day banquet celebrating the Grand Chapter's Diamond Jubilee. Seven of Lambda Deuteron's charter members were present at the chapter house Friday evening, March 19 to observe the chapter as it is now and to recall to memory

## ROMANCE IN BLOOM

For its Spring cover, The SIGNET has turned to a theme most generally associated with Spring and presents Romance in Bloom. The locale is the entrance arch to the Men's Residence Hall at Saint Lawrence University, Canton, New York and the characters are "the only girl in the world" and "my big moment."

The cover colors of purple and gold are those of the University of Washington and are in honor of Lambda Deuteron and recognition of its Twenty-Fifth Anniversary.

those of *Apres la Guerre* who in 1923 petitioned Phi Sigma Kappa for membership.

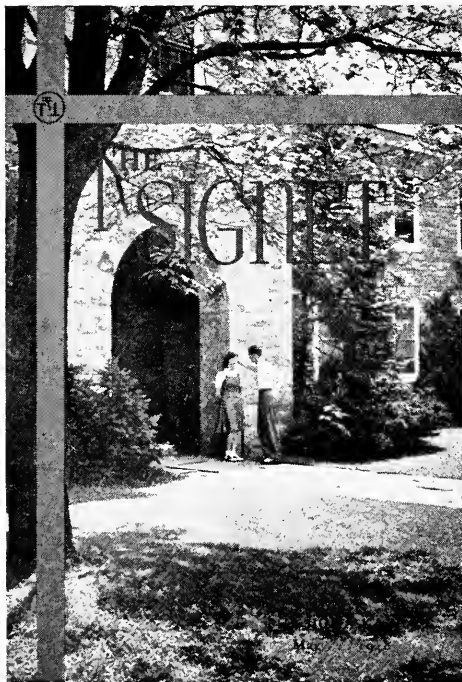
President Phil Campbell of the active chapter introduced each of the seven charter members present — Allen R. Benham, John Heitzman, Alf E. Lee, Dan Lillis, Alf C. Nydin, H. P. Valentine, and Tom Williams. Brother Heitzman, supplemented by Brothers Valentine and Lee, recounted a number of the events leading to the organization of *Apres la Guerre* as a living group for men with the common bond of being wounded veterans of World War I. The honored guests, those who have been Phi Sigs since the granting of Lambda Deuteron's charter April 26, 1923, also narrated to the younger members present the events leading to the group's decision to merge with a national fraternity, and to the selection of Phi Sigma Kappa. The active chapter heartily appreciated some of the humorous incidents, which could easily have been contemporary events, exposing the collegiate spirit of the founders.

Brother Sam Stocking, Chi '07, recounted his first experiences with the local group and how he had attended the national convention which approved granting the charter to *Apres la Guerre*.

Bruce C. Bean, regional director, outlined the recent progress of the chapter and expressed hopes for continued growth and expansion in this region.

The entire group observed a moment of silence in memory of Brother Kenneth D. McLean, a charter member of Lambda Deuteron, who died recently.

Following the banquet, the charter members, other alumni, and members of the active chapter mixed — renewing friendships of college years and acquiring new ones.



# A History of Lambda Deuteron

By DR. ALLEN R. BENHAM



DISABLED veterans of World War I originated Lambda Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. They were the only participants in World War I who could get educational assistance from the United States government.

Most of the men in this local group were graduates of Washington high schools. There are twenty-five names of members of this group on the original petition to "the Council, Alumni Associations and Chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa." The high schools of Everett, Spokane, Seattle, Toppenish, Farmington, Tacoma, Ephrata, Hamilton, Davenport, Palouse, and Wenatchee furnished most of the names. But there were also men from California, Idaho, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

The local took the name *Après La Guerre* and was first organized as a boarding house for congenial men who had a common background in their war experiences. Their scholastic interests took them mostly into business administration, engineering of various sorts and pre-medicine. *Après La Guerre* was organized on September 25, 1920 and Frederick C. Smith, now associate professor of civil engineering at the University of Washington was the first president of the group. Since such groups had to have a faculty sponsor, Professor Howard T. Lewis of the faculty of Business Administration was invited to serve as sponsor and accepted. I myself through the invitation of Arthur Poolton, one of the original members, was invited to join the group, since I had seen service in the Army Educational Corps of World War I, and I accepted the invitation.

After varied experiences through 1920 and 1921, and great help from the Veterans' Welfare Commission of the State of

Washington, *Après La Guerre* decided to look toward national affiliation. In this effort they were fortunate in falling in with a rather active alumni association of Phi Sigma Kappa in Seattle and vicinity. The leaders in this group were William E. Allen, A '03, W. C. Hendricks, Z '17, Sam Stocking, X '07, F. D. Conden, A '04, Hugh M. Caldwell, A '04, James B. Kinne, F '02, Sidney E. Goodwin, Z '06, and Robert E. Graf Jr., Ω '16. These names are signed to a petition addressed to the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa in August 25, 1921. Letters were written to The Council the same summer by President Suzzallo, Dean Spencer of the School of Journalism, Dean Landes of the College of Science, Dean Miller of the School of Business Administration, Dean Condon of the School of Law, Dean Thomson of the College of Liberal Arts and Dean Johnson of the College of Pharmacy, all of the University of Washington, urging the granting of the petition. A letter was also received from Brother William F. Wood, chairman of the Phi Sigma Kappa Committee on Western Expansion, heartily supporting the efforts of *Après La Guerre* to become a chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

A picturesque incident in the life of *Après La Guerre* occurred in connection with the visit of Marshall Foch to the University of Washington during his post-war tour of the United States. Mr. Lewis M. McCormick, who was quite interested in French conceived the idea of approaching Marshall Foch to see if he would join the group. Foch accepted and the chapter still has his letter of acceptance and a signed portrait. Later on a special commission of Phi Sigma Kappa visited Foch in Paris and initiated him into the order.

The petition was finally granted by the Grand Council of Phi Sigma Kappa

though there was some hesitation on the part of eastern conservative members. The plea of *Apres La Guerre* was greatly strengthened by the efforts of Brother Miller of the Pennsylvania chapter, a war-buddy of Alf Lee, one of the *Apres La Guerre* members.

At length came our induction into Phi Sigma Kappa in the spring of 1923. The leader of the induction team had known Professor Lewis in college and so Lewis, to save time, was selected as the representative of all the initiates. The house was organized on regular Phi Sigma Kappa lines. Robert Hall, now Superintendent of Schools at Fife, Washington, was the first president.

Between 1923 and 1948 my own connection with the house has been continuous. My fraternity life has been confined to Washington and has been very pleasant. My memory is thronged with items and personalities that often carry me far afield. Our members are spread over the country and the house has gone through many vicissitudes in the quarter century of its existence.

The name of the chapter was arrived at by compromise with the chapter at the University of Montana. Lambda Chapter at George Washington University

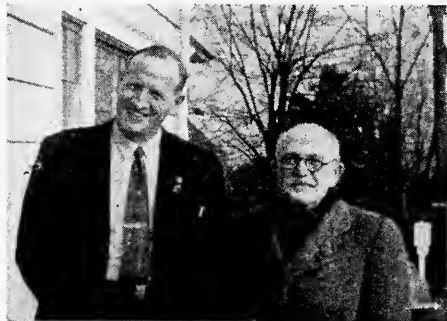
had requested that our chapter might be called Lambda Deuteron, for that name might properly have gone to Montana. For the chapter at Missoula, as the induction team came West, was inducted a day or two before we were.

During World War II our house was compelled to become inactive. The brothers in the house went into the armed forces and our building was rented to various war agencies or auxiliaries. This arrangement enabled us to keep up our payments on our financial obligations.

We were reactivated largely through the efforts of Brother Bruce C. Bean of the Oregon State Chapter, then our Chapter Adviser and now regional director of our district.

Our current membership in cross-section presents a situation paralleling that of *Apres La Guerre*. A large number of men now in the house, or in the house last year, are war veterans whose presence with us exhibits the greater generosity of the United States, as compared with the practice after World War I, in giving all veterans a chance at a college education. The vitality and serious purposes of the present war veteran membership of Lambda Deuteron promises well for the continuance of the chapter.

## *Alumni of Lambda Deuteron*



Haddon P. Valentine and Dr. Allen Benham,  
Charter Members of Lambda Deuteron.



WITH Lambda Deuteron Chapter situated at a state university such as Washington, where the economic development of Alaska and the Far East is a factor of great importance, it is natural that many of the alumni should find their way into the fields of foreign trade and commerce. One of the earliest of these Lambda Deuteron men to establish himself in the maritime field was Alfred E. Lee, '24, a charter member,

who is now the general manager of the Seattle offices of InterOcean Steamship Company, and equally top-ranking in the field is Amos Olsen, who occupies a similar position with another firm.

John Heitzman, '23, set the pace for the journalistic field, and was the first of many editors and publishers who got their early start at Lambda Deuteron. Heitzman edits the University Herald, a Seattle weekly, and has done a remarkable job for the past twenty years. Another and later alumnus, James Flaherty, '34, owns and publishes two weeklies in another part of Seattle, and at this writing, has plans for establishing two more newspapers. Alf Nydin, '24, has completed many years of editorial work in the Pacific Coast magazine field. Robert Heitzman '25, brother of John, is on the staff of the *Bremerton Searchlight*.

John P. "Phil" Lycette, '23, has reached the top in the Seattle legal profession, and now has time to devote to the many sports activities that a fellow likes. Phil bought the Seattle ice-hockey team a few years back, and has turned it into a championship team that really packs the Seattle Ice Arena every winter season.

Ken MacLean, '23, who died just a week before this article was prepared, has been the head of the clearing house for one of the nation's largest banks, with home offices in Seattle.

H. P. Valentine, '24, heads the dispatching office for one of the largest power companies in the state.

Howard Bargreen, '29, in addition to operating his own coffee importing and distributing company in Everett, Washington, has achieved renown as one of Washington State's aggressive state senators.

While the majority of Lambda Deuteron men are still climbing the ladders in their respective fields, the chapter is yet young, and few of the early alumni have crossed the middle forty mark.

Sam Perkins, '24, is treasurer of Sicks'

Brewing and Malting Company, controlling the funds for a chain of breweries that covers the entire West. He also rides a close check on the Seattle Baseball Club.

Dr. Allen R. Benham, '23, our charter faculty member, has been a member of the University faculty for over forty years, and is anticipating retirement next year. He headed the English Department for years until the duties became too strenuous. Our most learned alumnus, he has mastered seventeen languages.

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### BUCKARDT FILES FOR CONGRESS

In the April primaries Brother Henry L. Buckardt, Alpha Deuteron '26, of Leland, Illinois, will be a candidate for Republican nomination for Representative to the U. S. Congress, 15th District.

Brother Buckardt has been in governmental work since 1934 when he was with the U. S. Department of Agriculture as an agronomist and pasture specialist at Urbana and later Des Moines, Iowa. There he was made regional training officer and transferred to Washington, D. C. to head the training program for the entire Soil Conservation Service.

He carried on this work until 1940 when the U. S. Civil Service Commission requested him to survey the manpower needs and to determine the training required to staff the defense agencies of the government. His last assignment in the federal service was head administrative officer of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, handling the personnel problems for every branch of the government.

The United States Army selected him to go to the Pacific Theatre and set up a fair and modern civil service program in Korea. He also helped the Philippine War Damage Commission organize its staff and program.

# University of Washington

*The University of a Thousand Years*

By FOLKE OLSEN



FROM its modest beginning in 1861, the University of Washington has matured a powerful, respected institution supporting an enrollment of 15,000 students. Located in Seattle, Washington, this University, bearing the name of the Father of our Country, has become



DR. RAYMOND B. ALLEN  
President of the University of Washington.

a great institution — the pride of her graduates, the pride of her native state.

Washington's picturesque seasonal charm is reflected in the beauteous handiwork of nature and man in an evergreen fairyland. Its four-hundred-and-eighty-acre campus, situated on the shores of

Lake Washington, is acclaimed as one of the Nation's most inspiring collegiate landscapes.

Within proximity of the campus are fabulous natural playgrounds frequented year 'round by a large segment of the U. of W. student body. Sailing on Lake Washington is a favorite spring and summer pastime of scores, while increasingly popular skiing attracts additional thousands into the white-blanketed Cascade Mountains — just an hour's drive from the campus.

Rowing, Washington's most distinguished sport, has brought international laurels to its home campus. Throughout the Nation, Washington is recognized as the cradle of crew, and its string of championships offers mute support. The crowning achievement of Coach Al Ulbrickson's brilliant rowing career came in 1936 when the Huskies, after winning Pacific Coast and Eastern regattas, went on to place as first boat in the Berlin Olympics.

Basketball too, has brought fame to Washington with the 1947-48 quintet winning the Pacific Coast championship. Once declared a "white elephant" because of its extravagant size, the enormous University of Washington Pavilion, the largest basketball court west of the Mississippi, is inadequate with 14,500 seats. Even during State high school basketball games the S.R.O. sign has been hung long before game time.

One of Washington's outstanding departmental enterprises is the unique and renowned Penthouse Theatre. Conceived by Glenn Hughes, noted U. of W. Drama Director, the Penthouse — a circular stage with the audience all around at stage level — has brought widespread recognition for this unconventional stag-



ing plan. Under the same department's banner is the equally interesting Showboat, a permanent anchor in Lake Union at the foot of the campus.

At present an ambitious program to construct many new buildings on the University campus is under way. Existing construction includes new buildings for practically every school in the University. Pride of the new medical school is the 12 million dollar Health Sciences building and medical-dental structure.

President of these expanding colleges is Dr. Raymond B. Allen, one of the youngest university presidents in the nation. Dr. Allen, who took office September 1, 1946, as Washington's twenty-first president, has made many friends during his first two years here and is greatly admired for his success in guiding the Uni-

versity through those years of increased enrollment and consequent overflowing classrooms and inadequate facilities.

Collegiate Gothic architecture surrounded by a year 'round water wonderland has truly made Washington the University of a Thousand Years.

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### HISTORICAL MOVIES SHOWN AT BAY BANQUET

The Phi Sigma Kappa Club of San Francisco held its Founders' Day Dinner on Sunday, March 14 at the Omega Chapter House. Speeches were short, food wonderful, and the entire program highlighted by the showing of the Phi Sigma Kappa historical motion pictures. There was a large turnout.



Washington State Museum between Savery and Condon Halls on the left and Henry Suzzallo Memorial Library on the right.

# Lambda Deuteron Today

By RALPH MONAGHAN

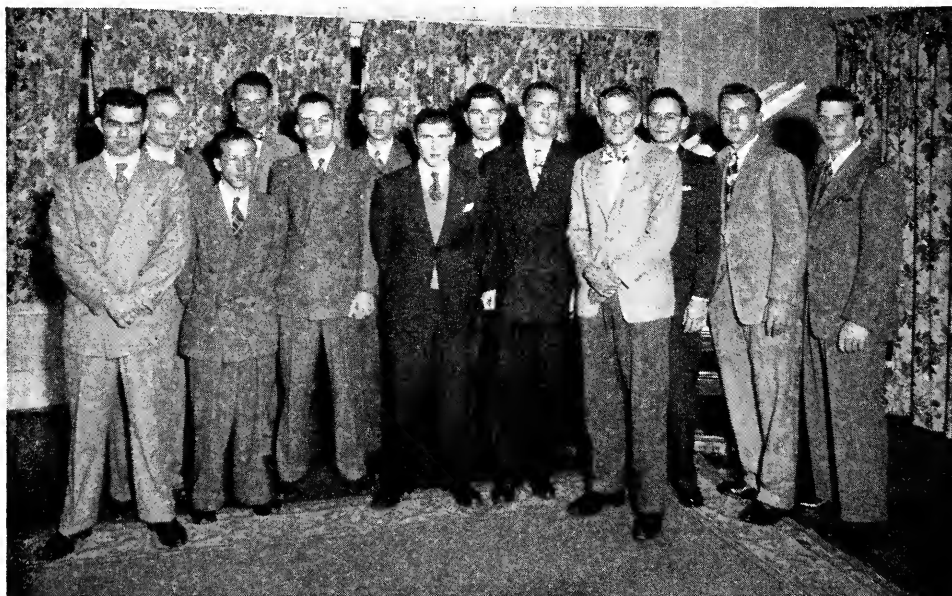


HIS is not merely the story of a fraternity chapter, it is the story of a group of men living and working together to further the ideals of Phi Sigma Kappa. It is the story of men upholding the traditions of seventy-five years of Phi Sigma Kappa, and the traditions of twenty-five years of Lambda Deuteron Chapter. Athletics, grade averages, campus activities, social functions, and true fellowship fill the pages of that story.

Campaign promises flew fast and furiously during the freshman class elections when Brother Jack Russ was nominated for the office of vice-president. Lloyd Pugh and Bob Clark took charge of the campaign, making the slogan, "Russ for Us," a campus by-word. Bessie, the Genteel Cow, assisted in the pre-elec-

tion activities and rose to temporary fame when she appeared in the rally parade carrying the slogan on her back.

Fraternity social functions have helped to round out college life during the year. The enterprising pledge class entertained chapter members and their guests at an unusual costume ball, "The Shipwreck Shuffle," in the early fall. The grand prize of the evening went to Tom Martin for his "Doctor Livingston, I presume!" costume. In distinct contrast to this dance was the Winter Formal held at the colonial-styled D.A.R. Hall, honoring the Diamond Jubilee of Phi Sigma Kappa and the Silver Anniversary of this chapter. A huge revolving diamond made of mirrors by Bob Clark was placed in the center of the dance floor to help in carrying out the theme planned by Social Chairman Gerald Deery.



PLEDGE CLASS INITIATED JANUARY 25, 1948

Left to right: Edwin East, Homer Smith, Eugene Anderson, Edward Christiansen, Ken Whittlesey, Dallis Perry, Richard Gordon, Jack Russ, Ralph Monaghan, Donald Long, Richard Berg, Thomas Martin and Wayne Kreider.

The winter and spring quarters were ushered in when sixteen pledges were initiated in January and April, bringing the total chapter membership to fifty-five. Celebrating their initiation with an afternoon tea dance on January 25th were Gene Anderson, Dick Berg, Douglas Campbell, Ed East, Dick Gordon, Keith Hulse, Tom Martin, Fred Dean, Ralph Monaghan, Dallis Perry, Homer Smith, and Jack Russ. A similar tea dance was given by the chapter April 11th in honor of new initiates Ed Christensen, Dick Holm, Francis Olanie, and Ken Whittlesey. During their term as a pledge class, the last group had sponsored Monday evening entertainment for the house members. Highlight of the series was the hypnotism exhibition given by a university student.

Sprinkled throughout the social calendar have been numerous firesides and exchanges, a week-end ski trip into the Cascade Mountains, the annual Mothers' Club Fireside, a spring yachting trip on island-speckled Puget Sound, and the eagerly awaited picnic and "Sunrise Dance" scheduled for May 23rd. Members and their guests will make their annual trek to Shadow Lake for an informal dance from 4 a.m. to 7 a.m., followed by a breakfast and all-day picnic at beautiful Lake Wilderness. This is the final social event of the year for the brothers before they begin finals week at the University of Washington.

Spring sports have taken the attention of several of the brothers of this chapter. Turning out for baseball are Dick Odell and Dick Gordon. Jack Russ and Gene Anderson are candidates for the frosh crew team which will defend its National Championship crown this year. The call sent out by Football Coach Howie Odell of the U. of W. brought Al Wistrand and Tom Williams, recent pledges, to the stadium for turnouts. Dick Holm, freshman and new initiate, came through in the University Bowling

Tournament to win second place, only a breadth away from the championship.

Intra-house athletics were highlighted with the winter active-pledge football and basketball games. The football tussle resulted in a scoreless tie, but the basketball game ended in a 25-20 victory for the actives when they made a fourth-quarter rally. Doug Campbell emerged as the grand champion after a lengthy see-saw battle in the table tennis tournament held during March.

High scholarship has always received a strong emphasis in this chapter as evidenced by the large number of members in campus scholastic honoraries. Fred Craggs is secretary of Atelier, architecture honorary; George O'Neil is a member of the commerce honorary, Alpha Kappa Psi; the art honorary; Grapha Techna, has Paul Michaels on its membership rolls; Ralph Monaghan is a member of Pi Sigma Alpha, political science honorary, and of Scabbard and Blade, military science honorary; Francis "Xie" Olanie is another member of Scabbard and Blade; Leo Sharkey and Folke "Tiger" Olson claim membership in the advertising honorary, Alpha Sigma Delta; George Crosta is a recently initiated member of Pan Xenia, foreign trade honorary; Frank Sincock and Larry Giovi are members of the accounting honorary, Beta Alpha Psi; and Steve Tydeman has membership in the campus chapter of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Prominent on the annual scholarship roll last fall published by the Inter-Fraternity Council were the names of Fred Craggs, Bob Heitzman, and Larry Giovi for outstanding scholarship during the preceding year. Chapter Adviser Bert Ludford and Dr. Allen R. Benham, faculty alum, have always been active in encouraging good scholarship.

But life in this chapter is not all studies and house activities. Numerous positions in extra-curricular campus activities claim

the time of many chapter actives and pledges. Don Dorfner was decoration chairman of the recent sophomore "Twin Dance" while Fred Craggs was decoration chairman of the highly successful costumed "Architect's Ball." Folke Olson has begun his term of office as president of the Seattle Junior Advertising Club along with his work on the University "Daily." Leo Sharkey is another member of the newspaper staff. Pat Hagen, besides being on the Sophomore Council, is a new active of Malamutes, men's service honorary. Last fall he spent a great deal of time working on the card stunts for the U. of W. home football games.

Lloyd Pugh has served as treasurer of Toastmasters' Club during the year while Frank Sincock and Ralph Monaghan have been members of the same organization. Active in the International Relations Club and Alpha Phi Omega, scouting honorary, has been Fred Jones. Drama has not been neglected either, with Bill Jones devoting many hours to campus dramatic productions in the unique Penthouse and Showboat Theatres.

Seven Lambda Deuteron brothers are in the Class of '48 at the University of Washington. Larry Giovi plans to enter the Graduate School of Business Administration at Harvard and Ralph Monaghan hopes to enter the Law School at Harvard University next fall. Soon to end their college careers will be George O'Neil, Stephen Tydeman, Ben Yorkmark, Lowell "Beans" Hatley, Henry Toellner, Frank Morris, and Fred Craggs.

Even with the most strenuous efforts it is difficult for an active chapter to have a progressive, smoothly-running house without the cooperation and strong support of the alumni and the Mothers' Club. In this respect Lambda Deuteron is extremely fortunate. The alums and the mothers have worked throughout the

years to make this the organization it is now. The alumni group is continuing with the plans for a new chapter house to be built as soon as practicable. Until that moment arrives the two groups, together with the active chapter under the leadership of President Phil Campbell, are striving to make the present house as pleasant to live in as possible.

This has been the story of the activities and scholarship of a chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, trying to uphold the principles of that fraternity; this has been the story of an active chapter working with the alumni and the Mothers' Club toward a better organization; this has been the story of Lambda Deuteron today.

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### SOMEBODY'S MISTAKEN

According to the January 1948 (Directory Number) issue of The Fraternity Month, the NIC Fraternity Statistics with respect to Chapters and Fraternity Membership were compiled from the information supplied by the Fraternities themselves for that issue and accurate to January 1, 1948. We are sorry to disagree with The Fraternity Month and cannot account for anyone furnishing that publication with the statistics published for Phi Sigma Kappa as of January 1, 1948 published in its Directory issue.

Phi Sigma Kappa, as of January 1, 1948, had 46 Chapters and 19,533 living members. The active chapter list is published under the title of Directory of Chapters in every issue of The SIGNET.

As will be noted from the Directory of Chapters contained in this issue, Phi Sigma Kappa has since January 1, 1948 added three more chapters, bringing its total as of the publication of this SIGNET to 49 chapters.

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**Bruce Hardy**, Delta Triton '17, is general adviser of the state farms of the state of Indiana.



DIAMOND JUBILEE SILVER ANNIVERSARY FORMAL.

# England

## And

# Napoleon III

## A Book Review



By

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Beta Triton

Bascom Professor of Classics and Former  
Dean of Knox College.

In his *England and Napoleon III*, Brother Palm has produced an excellent book — one at once readable and informative — for the student of history as well as for the general reader.

Its seven chapters trace the career of Louis Napoleon from the days of his exile in England beginning in 1838 until the collapse of the Second Empire under the impact of defeat in the Franco-Prussian War (1870-71). The events of the later years of the period are treated more sketchily than those marking the steps of Louis Napoleon's rise to power and to his reestablishment of the Empire. This is natural in the light of the author's primary purpose of discussing England's role in the episode.

Louis Napoleon is presented as a conscious heir to the achievements and dreams of his greater uncle with their potential appeal to the imagination of the French and, at the same time, as one

who considered himself a reformer who would cure all the ills that beset the French people — ills political, economic, and spiritual. The idea of the Utopian dictator which appears in the sub-title of the book runs as a thread throughout the course of the work explaining Louis Napoleon's motivation for his actions during the progress of his career.

His success in building up for himself a strong following representing a cross section of almost all political creeds with the exception of the extreme rightists and leftists and in establishing himself as the continental bulwark against radicalism reveals in Louis Napoleon a marked degree of political astuteness and skill. Yet it is successful opportunism and chicanery that marks his success. Perhaps these are really inseparable from political success howsoever much the idealist may deplore them. (There is something ironic about erecting the edifice of "liberal empire" on the foundation of curtailment of franchise.) One is left with the belief that Louis Napoleon's only real purpose was the establishment of a Bonaparte

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*England and Napoleon III* by Franklin Charles Palm, Alpha Deuteron. Durham, N. C., Duke University Press . . . \$2.50.

dynasty to which end everything was to serve as a means.

The reasons behind England's support for Napoleon III in his rise to power and Empire are carefully presented. One regrets to find little evidence of "ideals." It was just a matter of the practical considerations of English trade, balance of power, and similar items that still haunt our world today.

Brother Palm lists in considerable detail the various types of English opinion that expressed the English attitude. The official government views are cited. Contemporary newspapers are quoted. People whom we would now term political and economic analysts have their say. Such figures as Elizabeth Barrett Browning and Charles Dickens speak their piece. It is an illuminating process by which England found herself supporting a figure and a regime that were far from representing her political ideals but that served her needs and purposes as she saw them.

Despite the statement that "History never repeats itself," now as trite as its opposite, there is much important information in this book for one observing the contemporary international scene. Power politics, the fear of the "reds" (Marx and Engels were exiles living in London in 1849), controlled economy, the clash of ideologies were all part of the ferment of the period of Napoleon III. The international confusion of the present is revealed as no new thing but as the "unfinished business" of the last century, and the internal and economic problems of the France of today appear as the recrudescence of a deep-seated and chronic disease.

In recent years, the importance of words and their connotation has been driven home to us. Instances of one form of this problem are noted by Brother Palm, instances which would be amusing did they not carry implication of such importance to millions. The desire

of foreign courts to temper their recognition of Louis Napoleon by officially saluting him as "Good friend" rather than "my brother" and of balking at the numeral III in his official designation show one aspect of this situation.

The student of history will find that the book is supplemented with a helpful bibliographical note. Its index will also enhance the use of the volume for purposes of serious study.

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### DELTA BANQUET GUEST



Brother Mathew M. Neely, former Governor of West Virginia, at a recent buffet supper in honor of the 75th Anniversary.

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**Harry E. Herr**, Alpha Deuteron '31, recently has been transferred to Oakland, California where he has taken the position of Pacific Coast Sales Manager for Montgomery Ward & Company.

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**Elijah Bonham**, Delta Triton '21, is enjoying a very successful farming business. Brother Bonham's twin sons, Dick and Paul, are active members of Delta Triton Chapter.



# The Big Sky

## A Book Review



By

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Zeta

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The *Big Sky* is historical fiction as realistic as a handful of Missouri mud, a novel about life in the Middle West and the Rocky Mountain country in the 1830's and 40's by a Kentuckian who hails originally from Montana. The story contains no romance, except as a mountain man's infatuation for a Piegan squaw who had eyes like the eyes of a wild duck is romantic. The narrative has the natural interlocking of action and characterization which makes for greatness in a novel, the plot driving on to its tragic catastrophe because of conflicting traits of the chief persons of the story and the characters developing by the effect of their experiences. The descriptive background is vivid, impressive, and harmonious with the tone of the account of human doings. The whole is a notable achievement in the art of fiction.

It is something more than merely one more good novel. It is a doubly important historical document; for it gives Americans of today a fair view of the Far West of more than a century ago

and it also preserves for future readers a record of how the early Nineteenth Century looked to a sympathetic Westerner in the middle of the Twentieth.

Nevertheless you had better not give it to your best girl for a token of your respectful adoration unless she has plenty of iron in her blood. Everything about this book is harsh and rigorous except the smooth flowing style. Many of the words are ugly, and the story deals exclusively with people who lead a hard life and enjoy it. The scenery is wild, and the gentlest person in the book is a savage. The hero is a strong, silent eater of raw red meat freshly killed. He is an admirable fellow and you cannot help sympathizing with him, if you make reasonable allowances for frontier circumstances. He is courageous, straightforward, childlike among the problems of civilization but wise in the forests. From the day he leaves home, an impressionable boy of seventeen who has found it necessary to crown his father over the head with a stick of cordwood, to the end of the story when he sets his face toward the wilderness again, ruddy drunk and disillusioned at thirty, he is

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*The Big Sky* by A. B. Guthrie, Jr. New York,  
William Sloane Associates [1947] \$3.50.



a right good man as mountain men go. Yes, this heroic Boone Caudill is a hard man to put out of your mind. While you are watching his adventures you feel that he deserves better than he gets. You see that he turns Indian for a while, but you don't hold that against him. You overlook a few peccadilloes like drunkenness, blasphemy, and homicide, chiefly of Indians, because he is so obviously a good fellow at heart. He lives faithfully with his squaw for quite a long while, and he kills his best friend only once. Aside from murder, rape, and horse-stealing, he is guilty of very few crimes. He seems so sincere, so utterly authentic, that you can't help liking him. But after you close the book the memory of his hard stare lingers in the back of your brain and you realize why the settlers who crossed the Rockies into Oregon were as fearful of the mountain man as of the mountain lion.

#### **DILLAVOU NAMED TO COMMISSION STUDYING AREA REDEVELOPMENT**

Brother Ora Dillavou, Alpha Deuteron '22, Illinois State Representative in the legislature, has been elected vice-chairman of the Illinois area redevelopment commission created by the 1947 Illinois Legislature. The purpose of this commission is to make a thorough study and investigation of the industrial, agricultural, recreational, and other economic resources in areas of the state in which it appears such resources have not been fully developed or have suffered deterioration.

JOHN D. BEALER, Pi '45, will graduate from the Jefferson Medical College on June 4, 1948. He will then interne at the St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Brother Bealer can be reached at 237 S. 21st Street, Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania.

#### **WILLIAM F. WOOD NEW MAYOR OF PIEDMONT**

William F. Wood, Xi '10, has just been elected Mayor of Piedmont, California.

In an election held on April 14, 1948 Brother Wood was elected to the City



WILLIAM F. WOOD

Council with 1964 votes out of a total of 4063 ballots cast. After his installation as a member of the Council, he was immediately elected Mayor by a unanimous vote of the Council.

Brother Wood had served 17 years on the Council up to two years ago. He is an insurance broker.

The offices he has held in Phi Sigma Kappa are Regional Director of Region V from 1924 to 1938, at which time he was elected President; President until 1940; since 1940 he has been Chancellor of the Court of Honor.

Charles Stevens, Delta Triton '37, is now county agent at Posey County, Indiana.

# Meet Guthrie, Author of A Best Seller

The author of *The Big Sky*, the historical novel of the West and a best seller, reviewed by Robert C. Whitford in this month's SIGNET, was a Westerner himself for a great part of his life. In the pioneer days the Guthries were Virginians, later migrating to Indiana. Then A. B. Sr. took his family to Montana when he accepted a job as the principal



A. B. GUTHRIE, JR.

of the newly established Teton County High School in Choteau (pronounced "show-toe"), Montana (population about 1,000).

Alfred Bertram Guthrie Jr. was born in Bedford, Indiana January 13, 1901, one of nine children. He was only six months old when the family moved to Montana, the part of the country in which he grew up. His summers were spent on horseback on the ranches and in working as a printer's devil for the "Choteau Acantha," a newspaper which his father owned. By the time he entered college he had become a fair compositor or typesetter, with the rating of a "two-thirder," a printer's term for one who has served two-thirds of his apprenticeship.

He attended the University of Washington at Seattle for a year and then transferred to the University of Montana at Missoula, majoring in journalism. He was initiated into Iota Nu and subsequently became a Phi Sig in his senior year when that fraternity went national and became the Mu Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. Brother Guthrie took an active part in this event, contributing an article to *The SIGNET* on the University of Montana and acting as toastmaster at the induction banquet. He graduated with honors that spring.

While in College he was a student assistant to the faculty. He also did some part-time reporting for the *Daily Missoulian* and contributed articles to a little regional magazine called "The Frontier." In his early life he had become an avid reader of Western history which developed into a keen interest in all phases of Western culture, and during his college days he continued to devote whatever spare time he had toward increasing his knowledge in this direction.

Brother Guthrie's business career has been interesting from the start. There was somewhat of a depression on at the close of his college days, and when he couldn't find work he and a friend bought an old Model T Ford and drove to Mexico, working five months there in the Yaqui Valley on an irrigation project. In the spring of 1924 he went along with other migrant workers to California where he took any kind of a job he could find. At first he worked for the Western Electric plant at Emoryville for a while and then as a clerk in a chain grocery at \$25.50 a week. In the fall of that year he returned home to Montana and accepted a position with the U. S. Forest Service as an agricultural census-taker.

His next job was in Attica, New York in a flour and feed mill. He was a sales-

man there as well as the firm's advertising copywriter until a fire destroyed the mill. Lexington, Kentucky was his next move, and the place in which he finally settled down. He went there to see his uncle, the late Dr. M. B. Guthrie. While there he called upon Harry Giovannoli, then editor and general manager of the *Lexington Leader*, who hired him immediately at a salary of \$20 a week; in three years he was the city editor.

In 1931 he married his home-town girl, Miss Harriet Helen Larson of Choteau, Montana. They made their home in Lexington where they still reside with their two children, A. B. Guthrie III (Gus), now 15, and Helen, age 8.

His brother, Charles M. (Chick) Guthrie, is a newspaperman in Indianapolis. Mrs. Robert E. Haugen, his sister, the only other one of the nine children surviving, lives in Missoula, Montana.

Brother Guthrie won a Nieman Fellowship for the school year of 1944-45, and it was then that he commenced work on *The Big Sky*. The Nieman Foundation of Harvard is financed by the estate of the late Lucius W. Nieman, publisher of *The Milwaukee Journal*. Every year since 1938 from 10 to 12 experienced newspapermen are chosen for a year's study at Harvard. Applications in one year have reached as high as 400. The foundation pays the newsman's salary while he is at Harvard. In Brother Guthrie's application he outlined a project in the study of international affairs, foreign policy and economics. Two members of the Nieman Committee, Louis Lyons, the curator, and Arthur Wild, Harvard public relations director, interviewed him in 1944. A few weeks later he received a wire of acceptance.

After finishing his studies at Harvard he took a partial leave of absence from his work at *The Leader* in order to finish his novel. This novel, being an historical one, required a great deal of research. Guthrie is the type of workman which

does a great deal of rewriting, always striving for perfection; there is no chapter in *The Big Sky* which hasn't been rewritten at least three times, and certain ones have been rewritten seven times. It took him two years of hard work, during which time he lost 30 pounds.

After eight chapters and an outline were written they were taken to a publishing house (William Sloane Associates). Guthrie was immediately given a contract for the book, with a four-figure advance. The publishers then asked Bernard DeVoto, novelist-historian-critic, (see the January SIGNET for a review of his book, *Across the Wide Missouri*) to appraise the book. He was even more enthusiastic than the publishers. "The book is so extraordinary that I find it hard to express the full measure of my admiration without being extravagant. . . . Mr. Guthrie is mature as an artistic consciousness and as a craftsman, he lacks none of the attributes or skills of a first-rate novelist."

Brother Guthrie has written articles, short stories, and a poem. Among them are "Sheep and Goats," "Snakes for the Squeamish," and "Bell Mare in the Hills," published in the Atlantic Monthly, and "Old Mother Hubbard," which Liberty paid \$500 for publishing. "The Big Sky" is his second novel; the first novel was entitled "Murders at Moon Dance," released in 1943.

On February 1, 1947 he resigned his post as executive editor at *The Leader* in order to devote all his time to writing.

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**R. W. Moorish**, Delta Triton '20, is a vocational agriculture teacher at Indianapolis, Indiana.

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**J. E. Pyke**, Delta Triton '15, is enjoying a successful business in the livestock commission field.

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# Versatile Johnny Bradford

One of the most versatile Phi Sigs in the news today is RCA-Victor recording artist and NBC television star John Milton Levinson, Omega Deuteron '41, known professionally as Johnny Bradford.

Johnny enrolled at the University of Southern California as a pre-legal student

After graduation he went to work for Warner Brothers Studios as a story analyst, which meant reading movie scripts for recommendation or rejection as well as reading all current magazines and books for picture possibilities. He then decided to write a film play himself, but before selling it he was drafted into the Army. He was placed in the Army Pictorial Service of the Signal Corps and sent to the Aleutians as a combat cameraman.

While in the Army he started singing for the entertainment of his fellow GI's, and he also wrote song lyrics. (To date Johnny has collaborated in the writing of over 300 songs, six of which have been published.) When he sang one of his songs for Lou Levy, owner of the Leeds Music Publishing Company, he was told to forget writing songs and be a singer.

When he returned to civilian life early in 1946, he joined a vocal quartet called the "Four Squires," performing at various clubs in southern California. Lou Levy once again influenced Johnny's career when he heard him sing the second time, this time arranging several auditions for him. The result of this contact was that he was hired by one of the movie studios as a "behind-the-scenes" singer. His baritone voice was dubbed into film sound tracts as the voice of movie heroes who can't sing.

At this point in his life, Johnny decided to become a teacher and returned to San Francisco State College to study for his Master's degree, but before he actually completed the academic requirements, he had a seven-year RCA-Victor contract in his pocket. This contract was a big surprise to him — without Johnny's knowledge, Ray Heindorf, the noted Warner Brothers music arranger, had sent several of Johnny's recordings to RCA-Victor.



JOHN BRADFORD

but decided to switch to an English course. His interest then turned to dramatics and he transferred to Santa Clara University to study under the noted dramatic coach, J. Fenton McKenna. Later he transferred once more to San Francisco State College where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English. His extra-curricular activities in college included taking part in plays and acting as a writer and art editor on the college paper at Santa Clara; he was also captain of the golf team at all three colleges he attended.

Before the Petrillo record ban became effective, he cut four sides. "They Didn't Believe Me" and "If You'll Be Mine" have already been released. "Whisper a Word of Love" and "The Flower Seller" are scheduled to be out this month. Johnny is accompanied by Russ Case and his orchestra.

The latest venture of Johnny Bradford is in television. He now has a WNBW-NBC television and radio singing contract, and can be seen every night Tuesday through Saturday, 7:05-7:35 p.m. EST as the "Editor" of the "NBC Television Magazine," the first sponsor co-op show in Washington, D. C. This program was televised for the first time Tuesday, March 2, and the format calls for five-minute features ranging from songs by Johnny, fashions, sports, interviews, book reviews, travel film shorts, musical film shorts to newscasts televised on a teletype. Johnny opens each segment with a fade from a magazine page appropriately titled for the upcoming feature. One-minute commercials are televised between each segment.

It will be interesting to see what field Johnny will next be popping into. For a 28-year old, he has really gotten around.

## RADIO ASSN. PRESIDENT



Ervin Lewis, Beta Triton, '32, News Editor of WLS, has been elected president of the Chicago Radio Correspondents Association, the official organization representing Chicago radio newsmen.

## SAVITSKY TO PLAY WITH EAGLES

Brother George Savitsky, Mu '48, University of Pennsylvania's star tackle, has signed to play with the Philadelphia Eagles, last year's winner of the Eastern Division title. Brother Savitsky was one of the most sought after 1947 collegians.

Brother Savitsky's first Philadelphia appearance as a professional will be made in the 11th annual Philadelphia Inquirer game Friday evening, September 10, against the champion Chicago Cards at Municipal Stadium.

The first player to play 32 consecutive football games at Pennsylvania, Brother Savitsky missed nary a game in four years—1944, 1945, 1946, and 1947, and played in three East-West games—1945, 1946, and 1948.



Brother Jim Cromier, B.U. Bandleader and Brother Dick Vlonitis (right) with Academy Award winner Harold Russell (The Best Years of Our Lives).



# Chapter Hymeneal

## YOUNG-NOVAK

Brother Richard Glenn Novak, Beta Triton '43, and Miss Marilyn Rae Young were united in marriage amid cold wintry blasts on January 17, 1948 in Gale-



MR. AND MRS. RICHARD G. NOVAK

wood Congregational Church, Chicago, Illinois. Brother Novak's brother Robert served as best man.

The bride's father, Mr. L. E. Young, gave the bride in marriage. She wore a gown of white crepe with a lace pelum and lace trimmed finger-tipped veil. Her bouquet was of white roses. She was attended by Miss Ruth Steffan, who wore a gown of turquoise taffeta and carried a bouquet of talisman roses.

A reception followed at Normennes Club, Chicago, where Brother William Frost was in attendance.

After a brief honeymoon in Oak Lawn where the couple had just purchased a new home Brother and Mrs. Novak returned to their respective jobs in Chicago where both are employed as bookkeepers.

## REMILLARD-BRENNAN

The marriage of Miss Shirley Ann Remillard of Miami, Florida, and Brother J. Norton Brennan took place Wednesday morning, March 24, in Our Lady of Victory Church, State College, Pennsylvania. The couple was attended by Dr. and Mrs. H. David Rix.

Brother Brennan, Zeta '37, formerly Adviser to that chapter, has resided at Kappa since beginning his work as a research assistant in the Acoustics Laboratories of the Physics Department at the Pennsylvania State College.

## KIRCHEIS-SCHROEDER

Brother Cleo Schroeder, Mu Deuteron '50, of Williston, North Dakota, and Nadean Kircheis of Billings, Montana, were married in Billings, Saturday, March 20, 1948. The couple returned to 38 Lake Street, Missoula, Montana.

Brother Schroeder plans to continue his forestry studies at the University of Montana, while Mrs. Schroeder, an Alpha Phi, will change her major to homemaker.

## BROUGH-GAGERMEIER

Brother Louis Gagermeier, Mu Deuteron '49, of Glendive, Montana, was married to Miss Barbara Ann Brough of Salmon, Idaho in the Federated Church of Salmon, at 3 P. M., Saturday, March 20, 1948. Mrs. Gagermeier is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority.

## GJERTSON-HANTO

Pledge Norman Hanto of Sydney, Montana, and Marjorie Gjertson of Cut

Bank, Montana, were united in marriage. The event took place on Saturday, March 20, 1948 in Cut Bank, Montana.

### HAYMOND-PARTRIDGE

Brother Edward Partridge, Omega Deuteron, was united in marriage to Miss Dorothy Haymond of San Gabriel, California in a beautiful ceremony at the Church of Our Savior on February 18, 1948. The best man was Brother Dick Ford, Omega Deuteron. Brother Louis Durham, Omega Deuteron, served as usher.

The reception which followed was highlighted by a serenade to the bride by the brothers of Omega Deuteron in attendance.

### SEMPLE-BOWMAN

On January 31, 1948 Brother E. H. Bowman was married to Miss Ann Semple. Ned Bowman is a member of Omicron Chapter, Class of 1947.

### TRACK STARS OF NU DEUTERON

Nu Deuteron has two members on Stanford University's varsity track team, which opened its season April 10th against San Jose State.

Bill Larson, a veteran pole vaulter from way back with a best of 13 feet, 2 inches, will jump for the Indians for the third straight year. While in the Navy, Bill was a letter winner at Southern California under Dean Cromwell in 1944, when he won the vault in the West Coast Relays at Fresno.

Larson, a consistent thirteen footer, has hopes of getting as high as 13 feet, 9 inches this year.

The other Phi Sig man on the Stanford team is Gordon Levy, a sprinter who has not competed since 1945. While at Fresno High School, he posted best times of 10.1 seconds in the 100, and 22.3 seconds in the 220.

### WASHINGTON ACADEMY OF SCIENCES HONORS WELLS

Harry Warren Wells, Eta '28 received an achievement award of the Washington Academy of Sciences for 1947.

At a meeting in the Cosmos Club in Washington, D. C. on March 18, 1948,



Frederick Rossini (left) President of the Washington Academy of Sciences presents that group's 1947 Achievements Award to Harry W. Wells, Eta '28, who is with the Carnegie Institute in Washington,

D. C., and Dr. Robert B. Huntoon of the Bureau of Standards.

Frederick Rossini, President of the Washington Academy of Sciences presented the awards to Harry Warren Wells and Dr. Robert D. Huntoon of the National Bureau of Standards.

Brother Wells received this recognition for upper air research and the organization of a world-wide network of onosphere stations used in connection with radio communication.

He is presently engaged in exploratory geophysics at the Carnegie Institute in Washington. While at the University of Maryland he majored in electrical engineering. He continued in that field when he went into industry, and did radio research on an expedition to Borneo.

Brother Wells is a pilot, having received Air Corps training several years ago. He was with the Carnegie Institute during the war.

# Chapter Invisible

## HARRY O. KENT\*\*

Chi Deuteron was saddened at the news of the passing of its godfather, Harry O. Kent, Nu '09. No chapter could have a more devoted man as its founder and helper.

Brother Kent was born July 17, 1889 in Quincy, Illinois but moved to Trenton,



HARRY O. KENT

New Jersey, where he attended high school. A brilliant student, he enrolled at Lehigh University and was pledged to Nu Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. He graduated as a chemical engineer when he was only twenty years old.

He took up the insurance business in later years and came to Spokane where he and William Rusch became partners in Kent and Rusch Insurance Offices. The two did a prosperous business together.

\*\*Obituary of Harry O. Kent prepared by Dave McKeen, Chi Deuteron '50.

When Brother Kent moved West, there were very few Phi Sig chapters here. He immediately became interested in organizing a chapter at Washington State College. He made numerous trips to our campus in order to get the new chapter started. Property was obtained at 1607 Opal and the house with the big front porch was made ready for the new fraternity. Brother Kent was the Chapter Adviser at the time of induction of Chi Deuteron until March, 1936.

Later, as president and treasurer of the Corporation, he helped keep the chapter going, financially. During the depression, when it seemed impossible to maintain a house, Mr. Kent went a step farther and secured funds so that the present chapter house could be constructed. He was not satisfied to rest with the construction of the house, however. He next turned his attention to getting the mortgage on the property completely paid off. This was accomplished in 1942.

With the books of the Corporation in order and not in too good health, so that he could not devote as much time to the group as he would like, Brother Kent retired from active participation with the chapter. He still retained an interest in it, however.

Brother Kent soon found his work too much for him so he sold out his business. He lost his health over a period of months and passed away February 18, 1948. Surviving are his wife Frances of Spokane; one son, William, who is an associate professor at the University of Chicago, and a daughter, Molly, who lives in Pasadena, California.

Chi Deuteron, its alumni, and all Phi Sigs who knew Harry Kent, grieve with his family at the early passing of such a devoted and loyal fraternity man.



**HENRY HERBERT HOFMEISTER\***

Henry Herbert Hofmeister, Tau '40, died in Tucson, Ariz., January 13 after a long illness. Even during his Hanover days, Hof's health had been impaired by a heart ailment resulting from an attack of rheumatic fever in his early teens. Services were conducted at Campbell's Funeral Home in New York and at Ferncliff Cemetery, Westchester, on January 19. Surviving are his parents, his wife Marianne and an infant son, Eric John.

Before coming to Dartmouth, Hof attended Worcester Academy. He and I shared a room in the Phi Sigma Kappa house our last two years. Hof had a keen interest in people and his circle of acquaintances in Hanover was larger than most. He majored in International Relations.

During the summers while he was in college, Hof traveled extensively, in England, France, Spain and Russia, bumming about the countryside learning what he could about the people. He was vitally interested in political and historical tempers and trends, and had an amazing capacity for absorbing and expressing the feelings of those he met.

After commencement Hof was rejected for military duty because of his heart condition. He joined the staff of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, working in Washington and New York. He remained in the radio news bureau of this organization after it was absorbed by the State Department and had progressed to an executive position when poor health forced him to resign in 1946. As a sideline, he did radio advertising copy for firms which sought him out for his wife's knowledge of South America. He also wrote articles and fiction, one of

his first stories being published in *Esquire*.

Hof married the former Marianne Holtz of Milwaukee early in 1945 and their son was born while they were spending the summer of 1946 in New Hampshire. Hof always had a special fondness for country living and particularly for New Hampshire.

Above all else, Hof had courage. For years he had faced an uncertain future, yet made the most of each day and prepared for days he could never be certain would arrive. He coped with his illness alone, never seeking sympathy. This kind of courage is both rare and wonderful, demanding a strength of character that few possess. His courage never failed him, even during the trying days as the end approached.

Those of us who knew Hof well still cannot believe that this strength of purpose and perseverance that kept him going so long finally has failed him. His personality was so dominant that we all will have vivid and lasting impressions of him throughout the years. I hope that these inadequate phrases convey something of the sorrow, something of the high estimate that his friends have felt at this unhappy time.

**C. NEFF HUTCHINSON**

C. Neff Hutchinson, Gamma Deuteron '14, passed away on Friday, February 16, 1948 at his home in Troy, New York.

Brother Hutchinson is a native of Des Moines, Iowa. He attended the North High School and later received an electrical engineering degree from Iowa State College. He was associated with the Des Moines Electric Company before leaving in 1920 to work for the New York Power Company.

Surviving are his wife, two daughters and a son, all of New York; his mother, Mrs. Charles Hutchinson, and a sister,

\*Obituary of Henry Herbert Hofmeister prepared by Jack McMahon, Tau '40.

Mrs. John R. Hamilton, and one brother, Philip M. Hutchinson.

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### ELLWOOD J. TURNER

Ellwood J. Turner, Phi '08 passed away March 1, 1948. He succumbed to a heart attack in Chester Hospital after an illness of several weeks.

Brother Turner was a veteran member of the Pennsylvania Legislature, having been first elected to the Legis-



ELWOOD J. TURNER

lature from the 2nd Delaware County district in 1924. He served in the sessions continuously thereafter. In 1937 he was elected Republican floor leader of the House and two years later he was elected Speaker.

During his early terms he was named to serve on various legislative investigating committees, and as a result of his accomplishments was selected a member of the Pennsylvania Commission which eventually worked out the plans for the Interstate Commission on the Delaware River Basin.

Brother Turner was 65 years of age at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife and five children: Mrs. Robert G. Gilfillan Jr., William H. Turner, Frederick F. Turner 2nd, Ellwood J. Turner Jr., and Miss Anne D. Turner.

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### CLIFFORD R. WHYTE

Clifford R. Whyte, Nu '11, engineer of bridges for the District of Columbia since 1928 died on March 3, 1948 after being in ill health for two years.

Brother Whyte was born in Washington, D. C., the son of Thomas D. and Rose Riddle Whyte. He attended District public schools and graduated from Lehigh University with a mining engineer's degree. He worked in the District Highway Department after his graduation until World War I, when he served with the Army Engineers. He returned to the District government after the war as assistant engineer of bridges.

Brother Whyte accepted a position with the Bureau of Public Roads in 1921. In 1926 he went to Pittsburgh as the city's highway engineer. Later he went to Philadelphia as construction engineer in the building of the Pennsylvania Railroad Terminal.

He returned to Washington in 1928 to become engineer of bridges. Among projects under his supervision were construction of the Sousa Bridge, the Independence Avenue Bridge, the 14th St. overpass and the underpasses at Scott and Thomas Circles.

Survivors are his widow, Mrs. Helen Darlington Whyte, and a brother, Russell L. Whyte, also a member of Phi Sigma Kappa, of Brookdale, Maryland who is with the Commerce Department.

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### CLARENCE C. WIEDLING

Clarence C. Wiedling, Alpha Deuteron '15, died at his home in Chicago, Illinois on February 5, 1947.

A native of Chicago, Brother Wiedling graduated from Crane High School and Crane College and later attended the University of Illinois where he received a B.S. degree in electrical engineering. While in college he was active in fraternity affairs and participated on the varsity football team.

After completion of his college training, Brother Wiedling was employed by International Harvester Company, Chicago. A few years later he began employment with the Vacuum Oil Company which later became a part of Socony Vacuum Oil Company, where he was chief engineer and technical manager. While working with Socony Vacuum he became well-known in the lubrication engineering field.

He was married to the late Hazelle Bartell Wiedling and is survived by three children; Charles, also a member of Alpha Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa; Edith, University of Illinois '41 and an Alpha Xi Delta, and Dorothea, National College of Education, '40.

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### LIND MASON BAKER

Lind Mason Baker, Mu '05 died April 4, 1948 while playing golf on the Pennsylvania Railroad course at Frazer, Pennsylvania. He was 65 years of age.

After graduating from a civil engineering course at the University of Pennsylvania he entered the engineering department of the Pennsylvania Railroad, where he was still employed at the time of his death.

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**Fred Schulte**, Gamma '43, is the traffic superintendent of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company.

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### NOTICE TO ALUMNI OF OMICRON CHAPTER

Alumni who are not receiving their copy of the *Omicron News*, please contact the chapter house in the near future.

### FARNHAM P. GRIFFITHS APPOINTED CALIFORNIA REGENT

Farnham P. Griffiths, Omega '06 has been appointed by Governor Earl Warren of California as one of three new regents of the University of California. He was named to succeed James K. Moffitt, retiring chairman of the Board of Regents. The other two appointees are Sidney M. Ehrman and Earl J. Fenston, all university alumni.

Brother Griffiths is recognized as an expert in admiralty law. He is past president of the San Francisco Bar Association and a member of the American branch of the International Law Association. Late last year he resigned from his position as alumni representative on the ASUC Executive Committee, a post which he had held for ten years.

For a year after graduation from college he was secretary to Benjamin Ide Wheeler, then president of the University of California. From 1910 to 1917 he held the position of lecturer in law. He attended Oxford University as a Rhodes scholar, receiving a Bachelor's degree there in 1910 and a Master's degree in 1925. In 1941, Kenyon College, Kenyon, Ohio, awarded him the degree of Doctor of Laws.

Brother Griffiths is 63 years old, is married and has three sons.

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**Douglas Miller**, Delta Deuteron '42, recently returned from the Naval Supply Corps in Washington, D. C. Brother Miller is now attending the graduate school of Business Administration at the University of Michigan.

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**Ralph "Hairbreath Harry" Baker** writes that he is now working with a Harvard man in the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering of the Florida State Health Department. Ralph is married and has a family of four children. His address is Box 252, Neptune Beach, Florida.

# Babygrams

Brother and Mrs. Marvin Amstadter, Beta Triton '48, sent The SIGNET the following birth announcement of the Junior Storage Amstadter & Van Company, "stork flights our specialty":

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

*At 4:22 P.M. on March 23rd, 1948, the Amstadter, Jr. Storage & Van Company received at their terminal (Passavant Hospital), a package marked personal, fragile, and kicking, with the name tag bearing*

## JUDITH ARLENE

*This End Up.*

*Though the scales barely tipped at 6 lbs., 4¼ oz., the value was placed at a figure so high, you could see it had traveled clear down from the sky.*

*Should you wish to view the phenomena, me, I'll soon be at home with my proud familiee.*

*7329 Cottage Grove Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois*

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Dianne Matyas Roy, 7 pounds, 6 ounces, was born to Dr. and Mrs. Robert Roy, Kappa '43, on March 4, 1948.

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Born to Shirley and Brother Carl Paterson, Epsilon Triton '50, a son, Ronald Joseph, on December 26, 1947. Ronald weighed six pounds, eight ounces.

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Mrs. Elizabeth M. and Brother Herbert A. Fuchs, Epsilon Triton '38, announce the birth of their daughter, Diane Marie, on March 21, 1948. At birth Diane Marie weighed seven pounds, eleven ounces. The proud uncle is W. Barrett Fuchs, Director of Region III.

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A son, Thomas Davis III, was born to Brother and Mrs. Thomas Davis II, Kappa '48, of Upper Darby, Pennsylvania.

Brother and Mrs. Jack Howard are proud to announce a new addition to their family, a six-pound baby girl.

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A daughter, Carolyn Alice, was born to Dr. and Mrs. Charles J. Dayton, Alpha Triton '43, on December 31, 1947.

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Brother and Mrs. Robert B. Abbe, Epsilon Deuteron '38, announce the birth of a son, Alfred Patton Abbe II on January 5, 1948.

Brother Abbe is with the Smith & Winchester Manufacturing Company in South Windham, Connecticut as Sales Engineer and Assistant to the President.

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The following was received by The SIGNET from Mr. and Mrs. R. Haven Falconer, Tau '39. Brother Falconer is a Director at Large.

*Announcement of New Arrivals*

*Robert Ross Falconer*

*at Le Roy Sanitarium*

*9 lbs. 7 oz. 4 April, 1948*

*"Filmstrips"*

*at McGraw-Hill Book Co.*

*572 pages, 6x9 4 April, 1948*

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A son, David Cope, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cope, Delta Deuteron '42, January 13, 1948 and weighed in at eight pounds, eleven ounces.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. Colton Park, Delta Deuteron '35, announce the birth of their son, Gregory Anthony, on February 2, 1948. Gregory Anthony is the Parks' fourth son.

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On March 12, 1948 a son, William Charles, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William H. Unger, Delta Deuteron '33. William Charles missed by just five days the first wedding anniversary of his proud and happy parents.

# Summer Rushing Chairmen

Please send all leads on rushing prospects to the rushing chairmen listed below for those chapters by whom you wish your rushee to be entertained:

**ALPHA—Mass. State College**

Herbert J. Holden  
46 Vine Street  
Leominster, Mass.

**GAMMA—Cornell University**

John I. Mange, II  
702 University Avenue  
Ithaca, New York

**DELTA—West Virginia University**

Roland Reed  
672 N. High Street  
Morgantown, West Virginia

**ZETA—College of City of N. Y.**

M. Egazarian  
70 West 109th Street  
New York 25, New York

**ETA—University of Maryland**

Robert P. Haines  
4609 College Avenue  
College Park, Maryland

**KAPPA—Penn. State College**

Harry F. Mumma  
501 S. Allen Street  
State College, Pa.

**LAMBDA—Geo. Washington Univ.**

Eugene E. Trimble  
1734 New Hampshire Ave., N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

**NU—Lehigh University**

Randolph B. McMullen  
Buttonwood Lane  
Rumson, New Jersey

**OMICRON—Mass. Inst. of Tech.**

James A. Hooper  
625 Florida Avenue  
Cocoa, Florida

**OMEGA—University of Calif.**

Dale Nyberg  
2312 Warring Street  
Berkeley 4, Calif.

**ALPHA DEUTERON—Univ. of Ill.**

Howard C. Broom  
1004 S. Second  
Champaign, Illinois

**EPSILON DEUTERON — Worcester Poly, Inst.**

James Z. Peepas  
39 Arthur Street  
Worcester, Mass.

**ETA DEUTERON—University of Nev.**

William Ebert  
737 Lake Street  
Reno, Nevada

**THETA DEUTERON—Oregon State College**

Douglas Addison  
1918 S. E. 12  
Portland, Oregon

**LAMBDA DEUTERON — Univ. of Washington**

Edward Christiansen  
4215 Palatine Ave.  
Seattle 3, Wash.

**MU DEUTERON—Univ. of Mont.**

Rushing Chairman  
1011 Gerald Avenue  
Missoula, Mont.

**XI DEUTERON—Univ. of Tennessee**

Glen Mays  
1301 Laurel Avenue  
Knoxville, Tenn.

**OMICRON DEUTERON — Univ. of Alabama**

Robert L. Jones  
314 Thomas Street  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

**PI DEUTERON—Ohio State University**

Samuel Ware  
1917 Argonne Road  
Portsmouth, Ohio

**PHI DEUTERON—Univ. of Kentucky**

William P. Jones  
Beattyville, Ky.  
(Lee County)

**CHI DEUTERON—Wash. State Col.**

J. Norris Pearson  
1607 Opal Street  
Pullman, Wash.

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**Summer Rushing Chairmen, Cont'd.**

**PSI DEUTERON**—University of Oregon

Arthur Wahlers, Jr.  
7256 S. W. 35 Ave.  
Portland 1, Oregon

**OMEGA DEUTERON**—University of Southern Calif.

Herb Sauermann  
2715 Hope Street  
Huntington Park, Calif.

**ALPHA TRITON**—Wesleyan University

Robert E. Stevens  
181 Adelaide Street  
Hartford, Conn.

**BETA TRITON**—Knox College

Robert L. Reed  
7836 Luella Avenue  
Chicago 49, Illinois

**DELTA TRITON**—Purdue University

Virgil Ruble  
302 Waldron  
West Lafayette, Ind.

**ETA TRITON**—University of Akron

Robert C. McCort  
918 McKinley Avenue  
Akron, Ohio

**LAMBDA TRITON**—R. I. State College

James Raymond Cardin  
428 Mineral Spring Ave.  
Pawtucket, R. I.

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### **FOLGER ELECTED TO TAU BETA PI**

It is with great pleasure that Omicron introduces Tom Folger as her only representative among the Tau Beta Pi initiates. Tau Beta Pi, the national honorary scholarship society of engineers, selected twenty-two from the class of 1948.

Tom is a native of South Orange, New Jersey. He graduated from Columbia High School, South Orange, in June of 1945. Within a month he was a freshman at MIT. The following September found him among the new initiates of Phi Sig.

Here at the Institute Tom not only has been consistently above the general scholastic average, but also has spent considerable time engaging in the extra-curricular activities of Tech. He has been a member of the swimming squad, the track team, and the sophomore football team. Currently he is engaging in the lightweight crew. In addition to Tau Beta Pi, Tom is also a member of Pi Tau Sigma, honorary mechanical engineering society, and Scabbard and Blade, the honorary military society. Tom ably fulfills the position of President of the Army Ordinance Association.

Brother Folger's greatest achievement here at the Institute was perhaps his acceptance into the Honors Course in Mechanical Engineering, early this school year. Good luck, Tom, in the continuation of your brilliant successes.

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### **NOMINATED FOR TRUSTEE**

Brother Marcellus E. Wright, Mu '05, has been nominated for the position of trustee of the University of Pennsylvania.

Brother Wright received a certificate of professor in architecture in 1905 and a B. S. in architecture in 1905.

Associated with his son in an architectural firm in Richmond, Virginia, Brother Wright is the designer of many principal buildings in Virginia and is the winner of the Richmond War Memorial Competition. He is a member of the American Institute of Architects; the Advisory Committee Architects on Williamsburg Restoration; official delegate of the United States Government and American Institute of Architects to the 14th International Congress of Architects in Paris in 1937.

Brother Wright is former president of the Virginia Alumni Society and of the Associated Pennsylvania Clubs; and the director of the General Alumni Society. He was presented with the Alumni Award of Merit in 1943.

# Tom Davis A Senatorial Aspirant

"The will of the people is the only legitimate foundation of government," is the campaign slogan of Brother Tom Davis, famed Butte attorney, who has filed for candidate for the Republican U. S. Senatorial nomination in the Montana Primary election, July 20.

One day, not so long ago, one of the brothers was reading the front page of the local paper; he saw the following article:

"Butte, Feb 28—Tom J. Davis, prominent Butte attorney and one-time president of Rotary International indicated in an interview, Friday, that he would file shortly as candidate for the Republican nominee for United States Senator for the seat now held by Sen. James E. Murray, Democrat.

"Mr. Davis has long been a leader in Montana Republican circles, campaigning on many occasions for candidates for his party. He has never sought public office before.

"During the United States Charter conference, Mr. Davis who has had wide familiarity with foreign affairs as a result of his visits with government officials of a number of European and South American countries, was a special consultant to the United States delegation."

We immediately put our head together, dug some money from the treasury, and sent the following telegram, on March 1:

"We wish you every success in your campaign for a U. S. Senate seat.

Fraternally,

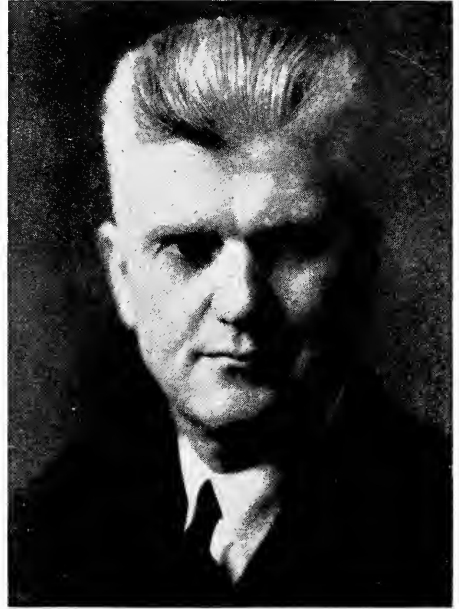
Mu Deuteron of P. S. K.

Brother Davis immediately sent us a letter, dated March 2, thanking us for our congratulatory telegram. He does things that way.

An April 2 paper carried an account of Brother Davis's speech to delegates of the Hawaii Rotary convention, in Honolulu. His subject, "Failure to keep your own

house in order is more to be feared than communism," was timely and interesting, according to the article.

"Tracing the rise and fall of nations, in the past 2,000 years, Davis stressed that



TOM DAVIS

they 'rarely were destroyed from without.'"

While in Hawaii, Brother Davis's friends filed his nominating petition in the secretary of states's office.

Whenever Mu Deuteron has had dealings in Butte, (i.e. the annual football game with Montana State college, last fall) we could always count on Tom to get things done; to make the necessary plans which required fast action, backed by wide friendship with people who could help in time of need.

Whether he wins or loses, we of Mu Deuteron all know that Tom Davis's story is one of success, brought about by lightening ability and action, and an exceedingly friendly personality.

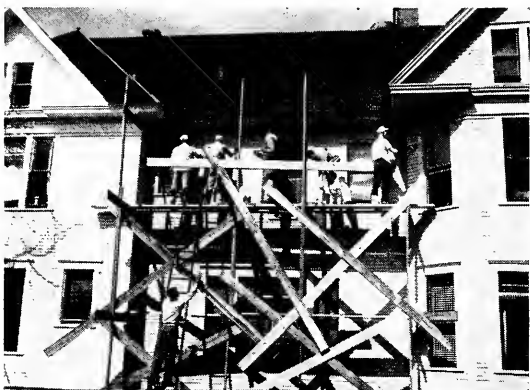
# PHI SIGMA KAPPA GUEST REGISTER

NAME	ADDRESS	CHAPTER AND CLASS	COLLEGE	DATE
Dave Von Sothen	Syracuse, N. Y.		Northwestern U.	Oct. 27, 1947
Emmit A. Glanz, Jr.	Hambling, N. Y.		Northwestern U.	Oct. 27, 1947
Earl Auberry	Washington, Ind.		Northwestern	Oct. 27, 1947
E. L. Howell	Houston, Texas	Alpha Deuteron '27	Illinois	
Ethel Mac Stange	Chicago, Ill.			Nov. 11, 1947
Bernardine A. Kolanzyk	Chicago, Ill.			Nov. 11, 1947
Lois E. Peters	Chicago, Ill.			Nov. 11, 1947
Carolyn Bower	Chicago, Ill.			Dec. 2, 1947
Jeanette M. Costello	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Omega Chi	Chgo. Teachers Col.	Dec. 4, 1947
Richard G. Novak	Riverside, Ill.	Beta Triton '43	Knox	Dec. 4, 1947
Charles B. Robison	Des Plaines, Ill.	Beta Triton '34	Knox	Dec. 4, 1947
John A. Safeblade	Aurora, Ill.	Beta Triton '40	Knox	Dec. 4, 1947
Roger N. Emmertz	Riverside, Ill.	Beta Triton '35	Knox	Dec. 4, 1947
Tom Green	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '40	Knox	Dec. 4, 1947
Ray Carpenter	Los Angeles, Calif.	Omega Deuteron '43	U.S.C.	Dec. 8, 1947
Argil C. Czigan	Houston, Texas	Delta '33	West Virginia U.	Dec. 13, 1947
Paul A. de Tamble	Arlington, Va.	Eta '45	Maryland	Dec. 13, 1947
E. L. Howell	Houston, Texas	Alpha Deuteron '27	Illinois	Dec. 30, 1947
Kathleen Dietrich	Chicago, Illinois			Jan. 6, 1948
John F. Dunning	Rochester, N. Y.	Mu Deuteron '48	Montana State U.	Jan. 15, 1948
Harold M. Adler	Detroit, Mich.	Delta Deuteron '39	Michigan	
Jack T. Turner	Chicago, Illinois	Delta '47	West Virginia U.	Jan. 20, 1948
Frank D. Scriven	Los Angeles, Calif.	Alpha Deuteron	Illinois	Jan. 24, 1948
Marion Neumann	Oshkosh, Wisc.		Lawrence	Jan. 30, 1948
Russell V. Boyle	Tacoma, Wash.	Xi Deuteron '26	Washington State	
James C. Elam Jr.	Yakima, Wash.	Lambda Deuteron '30	U. of Washington	Feb. 4, 1948
Richard G. Novak	Oaklawn, Ill.	Beta Triton '43	Knox	Feb. 4, 1948
John A. Safeblade	Aurora, Ill.	Beta Triton '40	Knox	Feb. 4, 1948
Tom Green	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '34	Knox	Feb. 4, 1948
Charles B. Robison	Des Plaines, Ill.	Phi '46	Swarthmore	Feb. 10, 1948
Edward H. Page	Evanston, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '48	Illinois	Feb. 12, 1948
Don Robinson	Lawrenceville, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '26	Illinois	Feb. 13, 1948
Theodore K. Lassagne	San Francisco, Calif.	Pi '07, Lambda '13	Franklin and Marshall	Feb. 16, 1948
Robert M. Zachariós	Latrobe, Pa.	Gamma Deuteron '24	Iowa State College	Feb. 22, 1948
C. O. Holmes	Evanston, Illinois	Beta Triton '26	Knox	
D. O. Leighton	Chicago, Illinois	Beta Triton '50	Knox	March 3, 1948
John R. Rothgeb	Galesburg, Illinois	Beta Triton '41	Knox	March 10, 1948
Kenneth R. Jones	Chicago, Illinois	Epsilon Triton '21	Univ. of Illinois	March 12, 1948
William B. Holton	Chevy Chase, Md.	'43	Univ. of Penn.	March 25, 1948
James B. Fox	Philadelphia, Pa.	Beta Triton '50	Knox College	
Robert L. Reed	Chicago, Illinois			

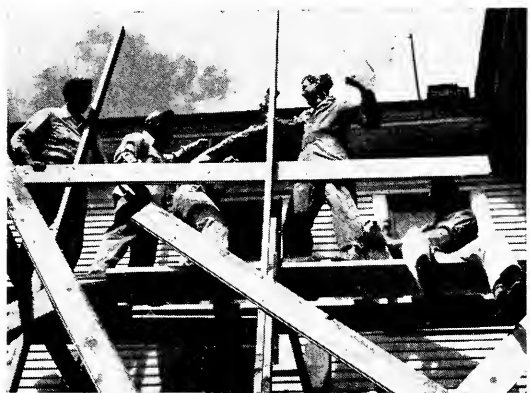


# CHAPTERETTES

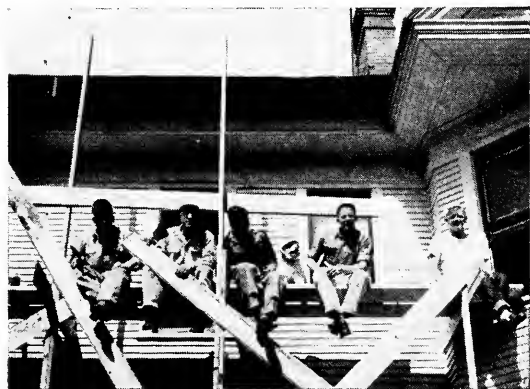




Painters hard at work, with bos'n Frank Cocco giving orders.



The Bos'n is called away, and the mice will play.



Happy painters are tired and taking five, (probably ten, if bos'n stays away long enough.)

## MU DEUTERON

University of Montana

By WILLIAM R. RAPP AND

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"Bruny's back," was the Phi Sig battle cry at 1101 Gerald Avenue, at the beginning of spring quarter. Sure 'nuf, the 'ole female dog mountain, Brunhilde, Dick Merritt's 150-pound St. Bernard, has returned to us. She came by way of pick-up truck, from Helena, Montana. We're told that the "Pick-up" broke down a block down the street, after Bruny was unloaded. Tiger, our other pooch, and Bruny still aren't the best of friends; poor Tiger isn't BDOC (Biggest Dog on Campus) anymore. They're back on barking terms, again, however.

We all miss Brother Bob Voorhees, who returned to his home in Hobson, Montana, at the end of winter quarter. He plans to "shoot" the dangerous rapids of the Kootenai River, in Northwest Montana, with two friends. Best of luck, Bob, them's rip-roarin' rapids. He'll be able to tell us all about it, when he returns fall quarter.

Fred Gierdal has left us for awhile to act as fire dispatcher for the U. S. Forest Service, at a station, not far from Missoula. Brother George Chaffee is still in the hospital, convalescing from a recent appendectomy. We hope the house will soon ring again to the accents of "Jorge's" imitations of Jack Benny's "Rochester."

Brother Cleo Schroeder recently "tied the knot" with Nadean Kircheis, an Alpha Phi, at Billings, Montana (see Chapter Hymeneal). Cleo's back at the school grind, again, but he seems to have a more determined glint.

The wedding march played for Brother Lou Gagermeier and Barbara Ann Brough, a Kappa Kappa Gamma. The event took place in Salmon, Idaho, Mrs. Gagermeier's home town (see Chapter Hymeneal).

With the Alpha Phis our southern, next door neighbors, and the Kappa Kappa Gammas our northern next door neighbors—by golly, fellas, we're surrounded.

Forgotten man — Bob Leamer — he printed and photoed the beer mugs on the mantle for our last chapterette introduction page picture.

Brother Dick Merritt, who is scheduled to get his English degree this quarter, will probably be leaving us soon. Dick, who used to write chapterettes for Mu Deuteron, has his eye on a career in the diplomatic service.

Brer Merritt's garden work and house painting abilities have seen the house through many, many seasons.

He expects to work until late next fall, when he'll go to the Alliance Francaise School, near Paris, France, with the idea of entering a French university.

Brother Merritt, one of the oldest members of the house, has been very active in campus life at Montana State University. In '42, when he was a freshman, he was tapped for the Bear Paw Society; Dick belongs to Sigma Delta Chi, journalism honorary; in '47 he became a member of Silent Sentinel, and in the same year he was senior delegate to Central Board.

Good luck, Dick, we know that wherever you go, you'll do ole Mu Deuteron proud.

Well, spring is here for sure; scaffolding has been erected about the house, and the Brothers may be seen almost any day of the week (yep, even on Sunday) wielding paint brushes.

With our annual Coffee Dan dinner-dance, 25th anniversary, Founders' Day banquet, annual exchange beer-bust with



Left to right: Bruny, Bill Rapp, Tiger, and Glen Rasmussen.

the Bozeman Phi Sig chapter, annual spring picnic, and exchange dinners with sororities on the campus, spring quarter will see Mu Deuteron a pretty busy gang of fellas.

So, until the next fall issue, so-long from the Montana State University chapter.

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## OMICRON

### Massachusetts Institute of Technology

#### *Sixth Annual Jolly Weaver's Party*

Once again all is serene in the Kappa House. Saturday evening, March 13, the brothers played host to some three hundred people, the occasion being the sixth annual Jolly Weaver's Party.

It was a lot of work to get the house ready for the party, but when the guests started to arrive, the brothers realized how worthwhile the venture was going to be.

Glenn Stagg's caricatures on the first floor put everyone in the proper mood for gaiety. Most of the singers gathered in the basement, and amid Bob Singer's scenes of activity, they proceeded into their repertoire. More than once we heard the melody of the Jolly Weaver's Song.

On the upper floors, mingled with streamers, balloons, paintings, and soft music, couples were enjoying Phi Sig's hospitality. Whether they were danc-

ing, talking, or having their own song fest, that happy-go-lucky feeling was in evidence everywhere.

We had visions of the house being jammed to the rafters with guests, but having most of the furniture cleared from the lower floors proved to eliminate any crowding.

This year we got our dates a little confused and had scheduled the party originally over the Easter vacation. Consequently we had to shift it back a week. Fortunately, or unfortunately, as one may look at it, it had to fall on the same week-end as open house. It was really a rush job to get things ready for Sunday afternoon. However, considering that most of the lads wished to get things cleaned up in a hurry, it was an impelling motive to the early morning sweeps.

In retrospect, it was a successful party. The brothers enjoyed entertaining their friends and guests. All of the guests, including a delegation from Worcester and Dartmouth, left with an opinion of Phi Sigma Kappa and the boys from Omicron.

#### *Afternoon Party for Alumni and Wives*

Sunday afternoon, March 14th, the active chapter was host to the local Omicron alumni at a cocktail party given in the chapter house. In the best spirit of Emily Post, the afternoon was socially a success with the alumni and the wives meeting the active chapter and renewing old friendships. From the spirit of the party the chapter believes that the alumni enjoyed themselves and that they would appreciate making these get-togethers a regular occasion.

#### *Sports*

With the coming of spring, Omicron once more looks forward to a successful softball season. After having finished third in last summer's intramural tournament, it is expected that we will provide more of the same good brand of ball this

season. The season will open on April 11th and will continue until the close of school in June.

Brothers Stagg, Roy, and Torrey are out for the newly organized MIT baseball team. Johnny Roy is one of the mound staff, while Glenn Stagg is receiving his offerings behind the plate. Sumner Torrey at present is playing one of the infield positions.

Ralph Evans of the Tech sailing team is looking forward to another successful season in Intercollegiate sailing competition. For the past two years Ralph has been rated as one of the top three skippers in the Intercollegiates.

#### *Ten New Brothers Join Our Ranks*

Formal initiation was held at the chapter house on February 18th, and was followed by a banquet at the Hotel Sheraton. The new brothers are Bud Avery, Bob Bently, Bob Fagerstrom, Jonn Fox, Henry Helfrich, John Lindholm, John Powell, Don Swinburne, Walt Thompson, and Jim Warren. The chapter was happy to have two members of our alumni group present. George Ruppert and "Pink" Salmon attended both the ritual and the festivities that followed. Brother Ruppert is a past member of the Court of Honor and Pink is the current treasurer of the Omicron Alumni Association.

The banquet was highlighted by many impromptu speeches made by a majority of those present. After a delicious dinner of roast turkey, the new initiates expressed their enthusiasm about becoming Phi Sigs in various ways. Many of the speeches and toasts centered on Brother Dick White, who gained favor for his activity in the days immediately preceding initiation.

#### *Omicron Aids Installation of New Chapter*

Kappa Phi Alpha, a local fraternity at Boston University, was installed at their chapter house on April 1st, 2nd, and 3rd

as Mu Triton by Epsilon Deuteron and Omicron induction teams. The Omicron induction representatives were headed by Brother Crawford who was ably assisted by Brothers Singer, Gutai, Bill, White, Voges, Seville, Doheny, Silvestro, McGoldrick, Hooper, Horan, and Protulis.

The induction teams were the guests of the national fraternity for dinner Thursday and Friday evenings, as well as guests of the new chapter at the Induction Banquet, Saturday evening. It may be well to note that a good time was had by all.

Omicron looks forward to this new chapter in Boston and extends its congratulations and best wishes.

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### BETA

#### Union College

By DANIEL W. SMYTHE

Now that the mid-term exams are over and the spring season is upon us, Beta Chapter at Union goes into high gear with a whirl of social activities and good prospects for another successful half-year. But outside of the semester's activities in the extra-curricular fields, Beta's determination to "hit the books" and maintain its high scholastic rating has borne fruit. A large number of boys making the Dean's List includes, Walter Finnegan, Bill Hio, Art Kean, Orazio Ottaviano, Max Slee, Jim Richards, Dan Smythe, Donald Gregier, Bob Walker, Ralph Reed and Jeremiah O'Neil.

The newly redecorated chapter room, located in South College, is "a thing of beauty and a joy forever." We have reason to be proud of it. South College (see cut) was erected in 1812. Therefore, the honor of possessing the oldest chapter room in Union College and probably the oldest in the country, goes to Beta. At one time, the building served as the home of the president of the College. Union, by the way, might be called the "Mother of Fraternities." Six were founded here:

Kappa Alpha in 1825, Sigma Phi and Delta Phi in 1827, Psi Upsilon in 1833, Chi Psi in 1841 and Theta Delta Chi in 1846.

At the beginning of the second half of the term, new officers were elected. Carl Burmaster and Frank Lewis were re-elected president and vice-president. Jim Richards was elected secretary; Bill Hio, treasurer; Lee DeGraff, inductor; and Bob Burner, sentinel.

An initiation team was sent to Hartwick College of Oneonta, New York, to institute the new Alpha Delta Omega Chapter. The team consisted of Fred Budnick as president; Art Kean, vice-president; Lloyd Kieran as sentinel; Bill Hio as treasurer; Jim Richards as secretary; and Lee DeGraff as inductor. The induction took place on April 10.

A very successful spring vacation party was held on April 2. With Brother Kieran as master of ceremonies, a good time was had by all.

Seven new initiates include Ralph Reed, Bob Ender, Tom Strong, Bill Mott, Don Cregeir, Bob Carpenter, and Harold Burnham. Beta's ranks are bolstered by the addition of a swell group of men. Ralph Reed is secretary of the Christian Association, and Bob Ender is treasurer.

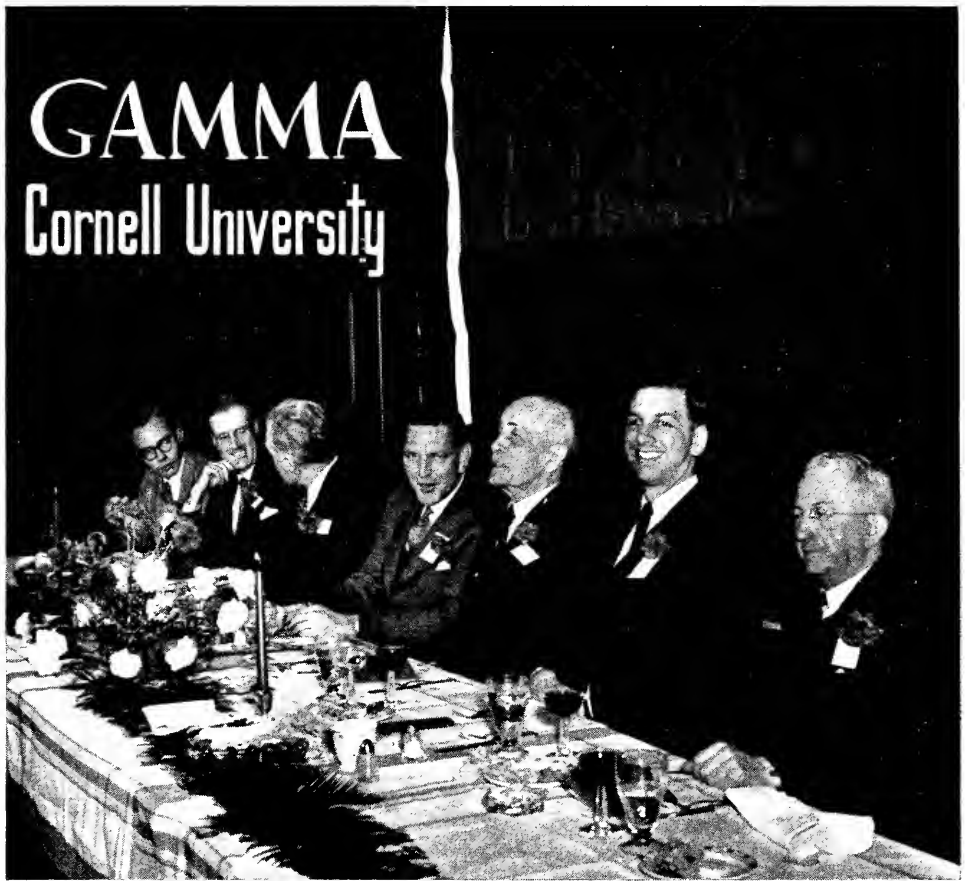
Brother Win Stone is making his mark as a tenor soloist in the Union College Glee Club, which is touring northwestern New York State.

Tom Strong has been made secretary of the Physics Society.

John Scott is the chairman of the Capitol District Council of the Student Christian Movement in New York State.

Art Kean has taken over a new job; he is one of the advertising managers of Station WRUC, the Union College Radio Station.

We forward our heartiest congratulations to a distinguished alumnus, Brother C. P. Robinson, who has received the appointment of chief engineer of the Ideal Electric and Mfg. Company.



The Junior Week-end at Cornell this year assumed once again the appearance of a traditional Cornell houseparty with all the gaiety and extra trimmings which the war period greatly curtailed. With bands meeting the incoming trains, parades taking the guests up to the various fraternities, and the festive mood being well launched early on Thursday, the Gamma Costume Ball, "The Arabian Nights," was quite the highlight of the program to start the week-end in perfect style. The house was completely decorated in authentic Arabian fashion

and the over one hundred guests attending the Ball presented every conceivable mode of dress which Arabia could dare boast. Gamma-men and gals in high spirits went through a well-planned week-end of events including the traditional Ice Show, sleigh rides about the campus, the Junior Week Dance with Elliot Lawrence's Orchestra, and the many other spots on the program which make the occasion a perfect time for all between the terms.

The spring term was launched with everyone in the house working on the preparations for Founders' Day which was celebrated at Gamma on Saturday, the thirteenth of March. With forty Phi Sigs returning to Ithaca for the occasion, the Dedication Services of the Gamma-

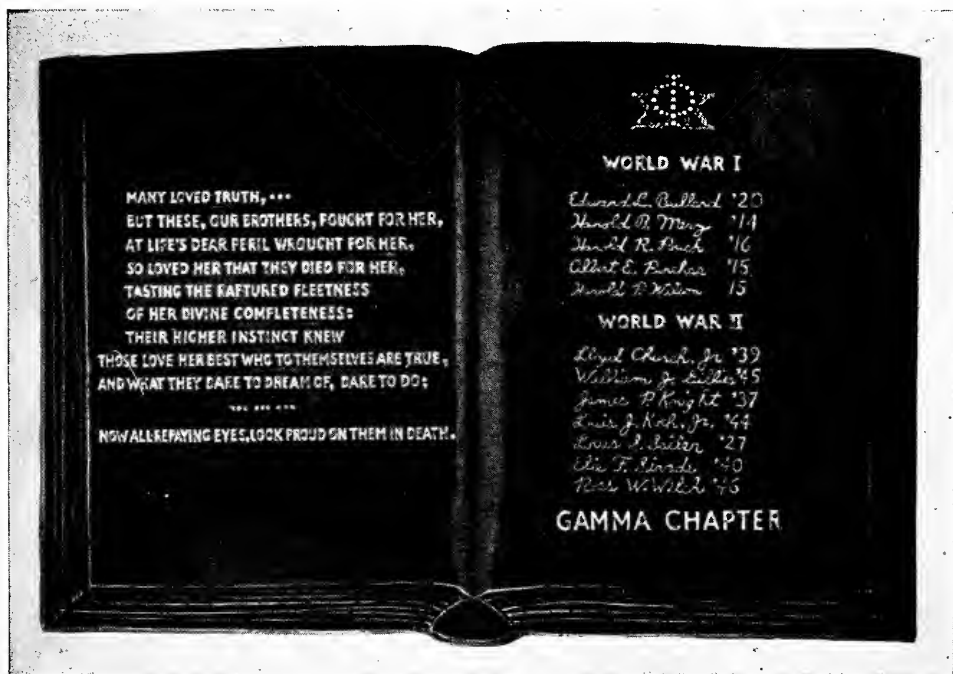
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The Speakers' Table at the recent Gamma Dinner held in honor of Phi Sig's Seventy-Fifth Anniversary. Left to right: Jim Flannery, Ken Greenawalt, Prof. Morris Bishop, Norm Moore, George Vogel, Ed Sargent, and John Perry.

Memorial were held in the late afternoon—The Reverend Viggo Swensen, Rho Deuteron '31, Pastor of St. Johns Church in Syracuse, and Dr. Arthur S. Adams, Provost of Cornell University, were the officiates at this ceremony. Later in the day, a cocktail party was given for the guests of Gamma at the house and a special Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Dinner was then held at the Ithaca Hotel. The special event of the week-end was the return to Gamma of Brother George Vogel, '91, one of the Founders of Gamma Chapter and National President from 1896 to 1898 and 1904 to 1912. Brother Vogel spoke at the dinner of Phi Sig's early history and made far clearer the purposes and intents of the early fraternity. During the week-end, he quite endeared himself to all Gamma-men at the house by his interest in Gamma's affairs and his splendid ideals of fraternalism

which he well planted during his brief stay. Brother Kenneth Greenawalt, '24, was also one of Gamma's honored guests and in speaking at the dinner, gave much information of Phi Sig and the connection of his father, Brother William E. Greenawalt, '87, in its early expansion. Professor Morris Bishop, former editor of *The New Yorker* and famed writer of humorous verse, was Gamma's guest at the dinner and his usual fascinating charm in reading his works delighted everyone. The week-end was a five-star event at Gamma and will be long remembered.

After the formal initiation of Gamma's pledge class the following Saturday, an Initiation Banquet was held at the chapter house at which the Reverend Edward Eddy, well known in campus religious activities, was the guest speaker. A progressive fraternity man, Reverend



## GAMMA MEMORIAL

Cast in bronze and mounted on an oak frame which has been placed as a permanent memorial in the living room of the house.

Eddy clearly presented to the newly initiated brothers the responsibilities which each man must assume throughout his undergraduate and graduate days as a brother of Phi Sigma Kappa in order to obtain the greatest benefit from a frater-



#### A TEST OF SKILL

The Baby-bottle Contest was a highlight during the show at the Costume Ball.

nity and to be a positive force within his fraternity.

The intramural program of sports at Cornell has once again resumed its very full and active schedule which includes the participation of some fifty fraternities in sporting contests throughout every week of the year. Gamma's efforts have been recognized recently in basketball, swimming, track, and attention is now being heavily concentrated on the volleyball series and the wrestling meet. Tim Magee, Tom Bissell, and Hank Hardy remained in Ithaca during the recent spring vacation to work out with the crew—in traditional style, Ithaca presented the Cornell Crew with a varied offering of weather which allowed only three regular workouts during the entire vacation period. The crew this year faces a full and difficult schedule and the men of Gamma show great promise of contributing to its success. The lacrosse season has started and Don Sutherland again resumes his place on the team while Buzz Lebhar works out with the

track team. From a large field competing for a position on the freshman tennis team, Bruce Welsh has secured a place and will play in the tough season facing these netmen. The winter sports season has officially ended with laurels going to Doug Anderson who came through the wrestling season intact and was elected to membership in the Wrestling Club; Tom Latimer who captained the fencing team through its most suc-



#### ARABIAN NIGHTS AT GAMMA

Gamma-men and gals, Fred Heisley and his wife Betty, and Gamma's President Tom Latimer and Roz Wellman as part of the big show at the Junior Week Costume Ball.

cessful season in many years and who led in the reorganization of the Fencing Club, one of the first organizations started at Cornell; Buzz Lebhar whose fame quickly spread as one of the star players with the freshman basketball team, and Bob Heuerman whose lanky six-foot-seven frame saw action with the JV basketball team.

It was Gamma's honor to recently have as its guest Bill Dillon, a famous personality of the variety stage some few



years back and who today would be known to everyone in any part of the country merely by commenting that he wrote "I Want a Gal Just Like The Gal That Married Dear Ole Dad!" Bill came to dinner and told many interesting stories of the Savage Club, a unique organization of entertainers here in Ithaca which is patterned after the famous Savage Club of London. After dinner, Bill gave a "sneak" preview of a couple of his latest numbers and played several recent recordings of some of the grand "gal" songs which he's written during his many years in the entertainment world.

A red-letter day for Gamma was Wednesday, the twenty-fourth of March, at which time Wesley Miles was the guest of honor at a special dinner given for him by the undergraduate house. Mr. Miles was being feted upon his completion of twenty years of continuous service as houseman at Gamma. At the conclusion of the dinner, he was presented with a gold watch, appropriately inscribed, as an expression of the gratitude of the house for his continued high support. During the occupancy of the house by the Navy during the war, it was stipulated in the contract that Mr. Miles would remain in his position throughout the entire period. It was for this reason that the house was returned to Gamma in a condition of relatively good shape—Mr. Miles having kept a careful watch on the actions of the men living there. Since the reopening of the house, he has carried on his regular work and maintained the entire house in outstanding condition in spite of the over-capacity group now living in and the many problems and troubles naturally arising from an aging house. Known to scores of Gamma-men as a sincere worker and a real friend, Mr. Miles occupies a position of distinction both on the Cornell campus and in the thoughts and opinions of every Gamma-man.

With spring desperately trying to make

its appearance in Ithaca, activity at Gamma is in high gear with the traditional Parents' Day Celebration to be held in late April which will be followed in early May by the annual Faculty Tea at Gamma. With a full program both within the house and on "The Hill," Gamma-men will be kept busy with finals not too far away.

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### EPSILON TRITON

#### The American University

By WILLIAM A. AIKIN

The spring social calendar has been a very successful one. The Interfraternity Dance, a very enjoyable affair, was the first of the events of the season. From there we swung into the other social events planned for the balance of the year. The interfraternity stag party, an annual affair, was staged at a lodge in Virginia. It was a great success particularly for Epsilon Triton. For the second consecutive year, we won the cup for the best original skit presented by each fraternity. It was an unusually brilliant presentation authored by Brother Bill Corrigan and Pledge George Karibjanian. The cast was perfectly chosen. The combination of writing and cast literally "rolled 'em in the aisles."

The pledge class is planning a picnic for the actives. It is to be held at Rock Creek Park sometime this month. It promises to be an entertaining and pleasant party. We are also planning a Memorial Day week-end party at a nearby lake.

Our annual joint initiation and Founders' Day dinner was held Saturday, March 13. Beginning at 9 a.m. in Hurst Hall auditorium, the initiation ceremonies went on until late afternoon. Eighteen men were initiated. Dinner was served at six o'clock in the Hoover Room of Mary Graydon Hall. We wish to compliment Earl Rice, culinary expert of the University dining room, for his efforts in making the dinner so suc-

cessful. The birthday cake was his idea, and a surprise. Thanks, Earl.

Principal speaker for the occasion was Brother Barrett Fuchs, Director of Region III. He complimented the chapter on its fine record and gave some very sound advice for the future. He informed us of some of the great plans in the offing for Phi Sigma Kappa. Brother "Bunny" Rabbitt told of some of the problems the chapter had in its pre-war days. His presence was a bit of a surprise because he had suffered a leg injury during an intramural basketball game earlier in the week. He was there, however, leg, cast and cane. Brothers Mike Katen and Bob Malone, retiring and newly elected presidents respectively, spoke briefly on the future of the chapter.

New brothers added to Epsilon Triton's roster are: Warren Carter, Jr., Henry Havemeyer, Edward Ahrens, James Butler, Charles Coleson, William Corri-

gan, Fred Kotteck, Leroy Krider, Robert Smalley, John Stewart, Earl Walker, Robert Wildermuth, Jack Woods, Wallace Lyon, Simon Balchum, John Krupin, Jack Rabner, H. Shepard Lippincott.

### *The Carnation Ball*

The Carnation Ball, held jointly with Eta and Lambda, was presented at the Continental Room of the Wardman Park Hotel, Saturday, May 1. Music was furnished by Jack Morton's orchestra. The Carnation Queens from each of the chapters were presented to the "court" assemblage. Brother Michael Moore, Epsilon Triton, sang several vocal selections of Phi Sig songs and led the group singing of some of our songs. The queens were: Elizabeth Simpson, Eta; Marcia Roesing, Lambda; and Reta Carothers, Epsilon Triton. The committee: William A. Aikin, chairman, Epsilon Triton; George Latham, Epsilon Triton; Roy Mullin, Epsilon Triton; Robert McCos-



The cast of the winning skit at the annual Interfraternity Council Stag Party, the American University. Pledges Cuddihy and Cavanaugh; Brothers Coleson, Lyon and Corrigan; Pledge George Karibjanian in the foreground.

key, Lambda; Melvin Ruffner, Eta; James Strong, Epsilon Triton.

### *Elections*

Quarterly elections were held in March. The results were: Robert Malone, President; Robert Frailey, Vice-President; Michael Moore, Secretary; Albert Gross, Treasurer; Albert Nencioni, Sentinel; John Briggs, Inductor.

### *A Mystery Story*

On the cold dark night of March 11 our television set disappeared from its nest in the lounge. When Brother Roy Mullin walked in the following morning he found the nest empty. Stunned, he looked about him wondering what could have happened to it. At the gate he found a short length of aerial tape which had become detached from the set in its passage from the house. No other clues were present. The University authorities were notified, the police were notified, questions were asked, no fingerprints were found. Nothing resulted. A week passed; no news from our "wandering" works of video.

It was a beautiful spring Sunday morning ten days later when we were rewarded with our patient waiting. Palm Sunday must bring out the good in men! A strolling campus couple spotted the missing set resting peacefully on the steps of the women's gym. They remembered the story of the missing Phi Sig set. Brother Tex Griffin was the first member they spotted in the search for someone they might tell their story to. Happily Brother Tex, brawny, handsome Tex, picked it up and carried it to the house.

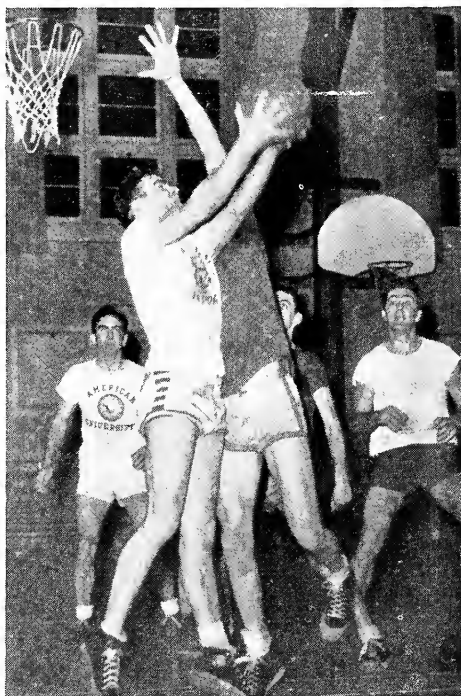
The University authorities were notified, the police were notified, the members were surprised and pleased, the set is back, everyone is happy. The mystery!! . . . How did the set get out of the house? . . . Where had it been? . . . How did it get on the steps of the gym? . . . Who did the "job?" It's still a mystery. The

set is resting once again on its nest. We're happy! But the mystery is still unsolved. H-m-m-m-m!

### *Sports*

The sports program of Epsilon Triton has been full and fruitful this year. We were represented on all varsity teams and have a fine record for intramural sports.

On the 1948 University baseball team we are represented by Brothers Earl



Brother Roy Mullin (with ball) attempting an over-head shot during an intramural basketball game at the American University. Brothers Coleson (left) and Gross (right) watch the action intently.

Walker and Tex Carter in the outfield and Brother John MacLachlan on the pitching staff. To complete the baseball picture, President Bob Malone is manager of the squad.

Brothers Gross, Heitzinger and Mullin have the distinction of being deadlocked in a three-way tie for first place as the outstanding intramural athlete in the University. Only one of them will be

able to win, but we are backing all of them and may the better man win. We also offer our compliments to these men for their efforts in bringing greater distinction to the chapter.

At present, Epsilon Triton is heading all other fraternities and independents in the point scoring for outstanding teams in all sports. If the softball team is equal to the performances of our other teams this year, indications are that there will be another trophy headed for the Phi Sig mantle.

Our basketball team was undefeated during the regular season games. We were nosed out of winning the trophy in the final game of the post season tournament. We consider our record exceptional regardless of this single loss. Brothers Gross, Heitzinger, Coleson, Mullin, Katen, Rabbitt, Frailey and Ahrens comprised the squad. The season was topped off with a game between our team and the Lambda Chapter team. The loser of the contest was to entertain the winning chapter at a party in the evening. We enjoyed the fine hospitality of Lambda at the party. They are excellent hosts.

The American University swimming team splashed its way to a successful season aided by the efforts of Brothers Briggs, Butler and Carter. Briggs, who captained the squad, won every race in which he was entered. He finished the season by capturing the Mason-Dixon Conference backstroke championship and the 300 yard individual medley crown.

Brother Al Nencioni, the "Mediterranean Irishman," is setting a sizzling pace on the varsity track team. In the first intercollegiate meet of the season he worked the equivalent of hockey's "hat trick" by capturing firsts in the 100 yard dash, the 220 yard dash and the broad jump. During the basketball season, Al was captain of the American University Junior Varsity Team which won the Mason-Dixon championship.

In the all-university table tennis tournament Brother Roy Mullin, who is also

intramural tennis champion, should annex the championship to his ever-growing roster . . . Brother Irv Mills is managing the Phi Sig intramural softball team which should win the title . . . *if* . . . said team plays with the same spirit and polish it showed last year . . . There is a strong lineup to back the pitching of Brothers Luther and Binswanger. The results should be successful . . . Pledge "Willie" Cassard managed the varsity boxing team during the season just past.

### *Miscellany*

Spring has arrived on the campus. With the usual — and annual — "In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns . . ." the hearts of our young Phi Sigs are taking their "turns." Love is blooming everywhere, and has blossomed on "Mac" Luther. He has announced his intention of forsaking the state of bachelorhood for that of the double standard. The girl? . . . Marge Latham, a Delta Gamma pledge and sister of Brother George Latham . . . Ann Jordan is wearing a Phi Sig sweetheart pin . . . the pinner? . . . Brother Bob Wildermuth to be sure . . . Strong, silent but always effective Roy Mullin has also taken the pinning path . . . the girl is Jackie Sampson. Her Phi Mu emblem looks very well on Roy . . . There is some ivy growing in a Phi Sig mug in the infirmary . . . the name on the mug is George W. . . . the horticulturist is University nurse and student Rita Miller . . . Now what . . . ? H-m-m-m . . . Brother Eddie Ahrens is happy over the coming addition to his family . . . the first . . . possibly a future Phi Sig . . . we will know in the fall.

Earl Walker was elected the most outstanding pledge in the recently initiated pledge class. A plaque to commemorate his achievement was presented to him . . . The coming graduation will drop six members from our roster: Brothers Katen, Mills, Latham, Sharrah, Griffin and Malone . . . In the first presenta-

tion of certificates to men who have finished the course in Business and Industrial Management, several Phi Sigs were recipients . . . Three keys for outstanding achievement in the course were presented to men in the group . . . The men? . . . Why all Phi Sigs of course . . . Brothers Lyon, Smalley and Cavanaugh . . . Mike Moore did an exceptional job in coaching the chapter singers for the Song-Fest . . . Brother Ralph Shaw from Stevens Institute was a recent visitor . . . On Founders' Day pledges and members wore magenta ties on a background of white shirts . . . a magenta carnation graced each lapel button-hole. In the evening the chapter was host at a get-acquainted party for the student body . . . Brother Bill Aikin is turning over his SIGNET news reporting, which he has been doing since April, 1946, to Brother William Corrigan. It's all yours, Bill.

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## XI

### St. Lawrence University

By ROGER PIHL

As the first freshets of spring strike the North country and once again we achieve contact with the outside world and civilization, our young men's fancies turn — to baseball. Don Danielson, Bob Glasser, and Bud Crawford are out for the varsity and at the helm as manager again this year we have Guy Donaruma. Arnie Carlson, one of our new initiates, and Hallie Hall are competing for positions on the tennis team. Doc Partridge, one of our country club boys, is straining for the golf team.

Old Xi ranks with the best as far as intramural athletic competition goes. It looks now as though our stalwarts tied for first place in wrestling but more official results will be forthcoming. This places Xi at the last official count in a tie for first place and that old sports banner. Now with softball coming up, the

boys are already making room for the banner on the wall downstairs.

Again Xi Chapter has had a memorable day in its history since reactivation. Thirty-one men were initiated on April 3. These men are: Ken Archibald, Doug Barnes, Arnie Carlson, Dick Eyman, Ralph Gearson, Dave Green, Al Gustafson, John Hinman, John Hook, Roger Howes, Al Hunt, Dick Johnson, Jack Kahler, John Leadley, Wing Lee, Chet Locker, Norm Lofgren, Dick Loyst, George Luedeman, Bob Maier, Ketch Morrell, Jim McGovern, Ray McIntyre, John Vought, Joe Morgan, Jack Garon, Warren Zittell, Bob Brandon, Don Jacobson, Ed Hill, and one of our faculty members, Austin Howard. To say that these men will be an asset to Xi is a gross understatement. After an extremely productive "Work Week," we of the active chapter are satisfied that they are willing to take up their share of the load in keeping Xi looking the best on the Hill. With their help ably assisted by the active chapter as a whole, the entire house has been renovated. New paint, fixtures, and additions have been applied and now the chapter house is shining from top to bottom.

After the initiation a splendid banquet was put on by our Steward, Ken Dyer. He was ably assisted by a number of the actives. Dr. Reiff, Head of the History and Government Departments here at St. Lawrence, addressed the chapter and compared the Phi Sig house with the government of Pericles in ancient Greece. His analogy was not only interesting but complimentary. Over thirty alumni were present and helped to make the day the success that it was. Naturally, a rousing beer party in true Phi Sig fashion was held in the evening.

Ed Noziglia, one of our alumni from the class of '47 returned over the weekend to be initiated into Phi Beta Kappa. The Dean's List for this period includes Harold Crawford, William Fisher, Walter Hannahs, Lavere Kneaskern, Frank

Stehli, William Sutton, and Keith Watkins. Congratulations men!

Bud Crawford, after being initiated into Pi Mu Epsilon, was elected secretary of that august body at the last meeting.

Top scholastic honors among the men of the lower two classes also came to Xi as Martin Richman led the class of '50 for the second consecutive year and new member Doug Barnes paced the freshmen men by compiling a record which included a neat 100 in advanced calculus.

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### ETA

#### University of Maryland

Recently, Eta completed its most successful rushing season since reactivation early last year. After a twelve day whirl of dances and smokers, Eta found that

it had 21 new pledges. Under a Maryland Interfraternity Council ruling rushing was deferred until February and new freshmen could not be pledged until that time. Because of the initiation of the older pledges, this ruling left Eta with practically no pledge class. The brothers, who were tired of doing all the work around the house themselves, were happy to see this new group of capable and eager pledges. We owe a great deal of thanks to our former Vice-President Mel Ruffner, because it was largely through his efforts that the rushing program was so highly successful. Eta's new pledges are William McKinney, Dave Money, Dino Format, Bill Mitchell, Dick Norair, Warren Tripp, Tom Russell, George Gaylor, Cal Mahaney, Garmen Coburn, Jay Armstrong, Scott Morley, Harvey Jackson, Dick Nagle, Art McDonald, Bill



#### NEW INITIATES

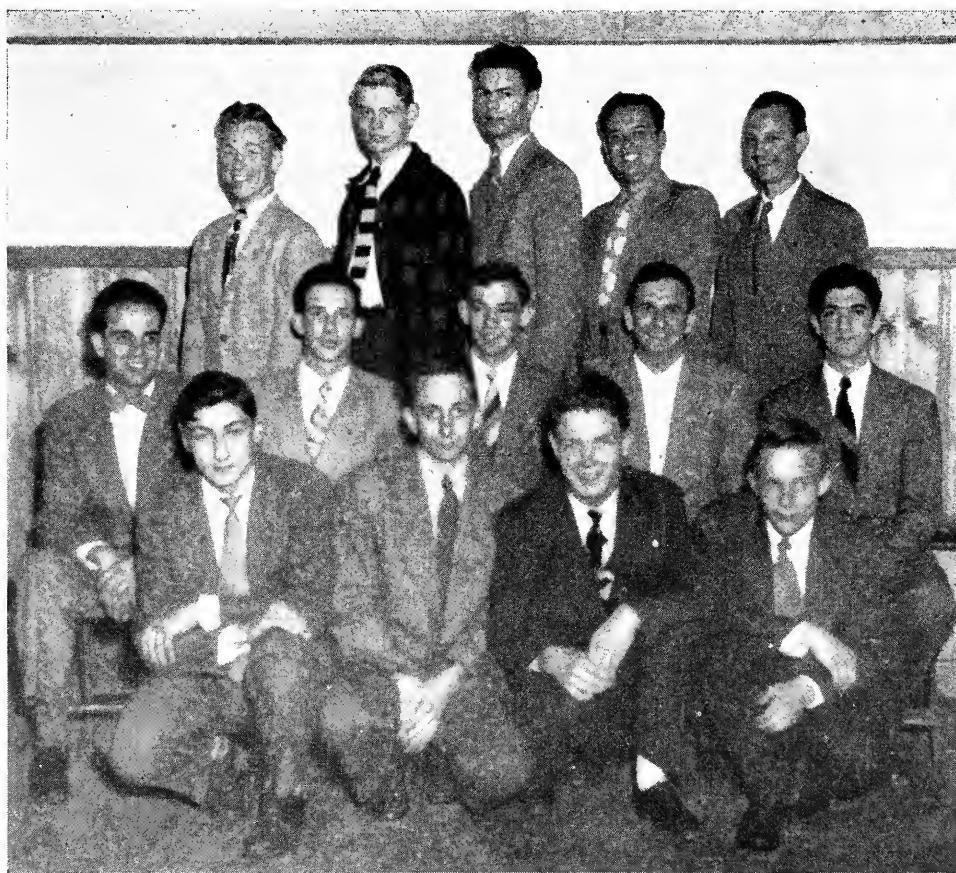
Seated: Hugh Goldman, Charlie Wiegel, Bill Hansen, and Don Claggett. Standing: Art Spring, Dave Lloyd, Bernie Bailey, and Bob Wilds.

Buehler, Warren Herzog, John Lipari, Bud Driscoll, Al Tumenski, and Bob Serra.

On Sunday, May 14th, Eta held its Founders' Day Banquet at the chapter house. Initiation was held on the afternoon of the same day in order that visiting alumni could participate in the ceremony. The banquet served afterwards was delicious and all the alumni present seemed to have had an enjoyable time. Many of the alumni had never before witnessed the new ritual.

An old tradition at Eta was renewed when the pledges reported to the house

Saturday afternoon to begin informal initiation. The house manager used this opportunity to accomplish all the spring cleaning. After a quiet supper, the initiates were put to bed on the floor, only to be aroused at 11 P.M. The fun began then with the new brothers-to-be bearing the brunt of all the jokes. During the course of the evening, the cringing initiates were led to the Alpha Xi Delta house to serenade the girls. After their songs were sung, the girls obligingly doused them with water. The newly initiated are Hugh Goldman, Charles Wiegel, Bill Hansen, Don Clagett, Art



#### PLEDGES

First row: Dick Norair, Al Chaney, Art McDonald, Scott Morley. Second row: Tom Russell, Dick Nagle, Cal Mahaney, Dino Format, John Lipari. Third row: Dave Money, Jay Armstrong, Warren Tripp, George Gaylor, and Robert Jackson.



Spring, Dave Lloyd, Bernie Bailey, and Bob Wilds.

It is good to see some of the younger brothers taking an interest in campus politics. Brother Dave Lloyd is running for vice-president of the sophomore class, and Pledge Brother Bill McKinney hopes to win the sophomore class Men's League representative post.

The social season for spring promises to be successful. The annual Carnation Ball will be held in Washington at the Wardman Park Hotel in conjunction with Epsilon Triton and Lambda Chapters. The brothers at American University are formulating the plans this year, and the affair promises to be best thus far. Eta's annual Gay Nineties party is being planned now. The costuming taxes the ingenuity of the brothers and the results are far from disappointing.

Inasmuch as this is the last issue of *THE SIGNET* for the year, we'll say so long until next semester, that is, unless we meet in Boston.

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### ZETA

#### College of City of New York

Zeta has had a full social program this semester. The chapter has played host to several Queens College sororities and a good time was had by all. We will have our annual formal ball on May 15 at the Park Royal Hotel in New York City, and this affair promises to be a huge success.

Zeta has 17 actives and 3 very promising pledges this year, which is higher than the membership has generally been in the past. The active brothers are Manoog Eggizarian, George Gallaway, Dick Penkava, Robert Krupka, Jack Ether, Godfrey Lindsay, Bill Kunz, John Tomcala, Joseph Mullaney, Steve Harantha, Bill Kozak, Bill Woods, Robert Thompson, Valdamir Monshaw, Alfred Montanino, and Ed Anderson. The pledges are Gordon Thompson, Tom Pyke, and Ed Smith.

Bob (Moneybags) Krupka was recently elected our president; Joe (The Unsmiling Irishman) Mullaney, our secretary; John (Koko) Tomcala, vice-president; George (Tiny) Galloway, treasurer; and Manoog (Eggy) Eggizarian, the inductor.

Unfortunately for Zeta Brothers Krupka, Ether, and Tomcala will be graduating soon. These men have been leaders of Zeta and have helped to bring the chapter and Phi Sigma Kappa up to its present standing on the campus of City College.

The college recently celebrated its centennial year and such dignitaries and alumni as Robert Wagner (Zeta '98) and Senator from New York, Mayor William O'Dwyer, Bernard Baruch and Justice Felix Frankfurter were present at the ceremonies held in the beautiful "Great Hall" of the college.

The chapter house is in top shape, having recently acquired a new coat of paint, a Gibson "one piece porcelain" icebox and two shiny new spittoons. Our piano still gives off dulcet tones under the flying fingers of Brother Bob Maraschino Lindsay in spite of its frequent doublings of beer.

Brother Henry (Doc) Lebel, one of the most enthusiastic members of Zeta has gone into the insurance business. We all miss the friendly verbal battles between Doc and Unsmiling Irishman.

Paul (The Influence) Haronian, past president of Zeta is attending the Graduate School of Columbia University here in New York. Frank Haronian has returned to "City" for pre-medical training. Seaman 2nd Class, John Te Bere, Zeta '48, has been accepted for H.A. school in the Navy and Brother George F. Tolson, Zeta '47, is now gunnery officer aboard the U.S.S. Damato.

We can still thank Brother Tom Pennington for his recommendations and invaluable aid in choosing rushees. He is Professor of Public Speaking here at



the college and has advised Zeta since way back in '35.

Brother Vito Visconti nad Sergi Mar-  
ketan recently took the proverbial plunge.  
Zeta also extends congratulations to  
Brother Jack Ether who recently became  
a father.

More dope on Zeta in the next SIGNET.

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### DELTA

West Virginia University

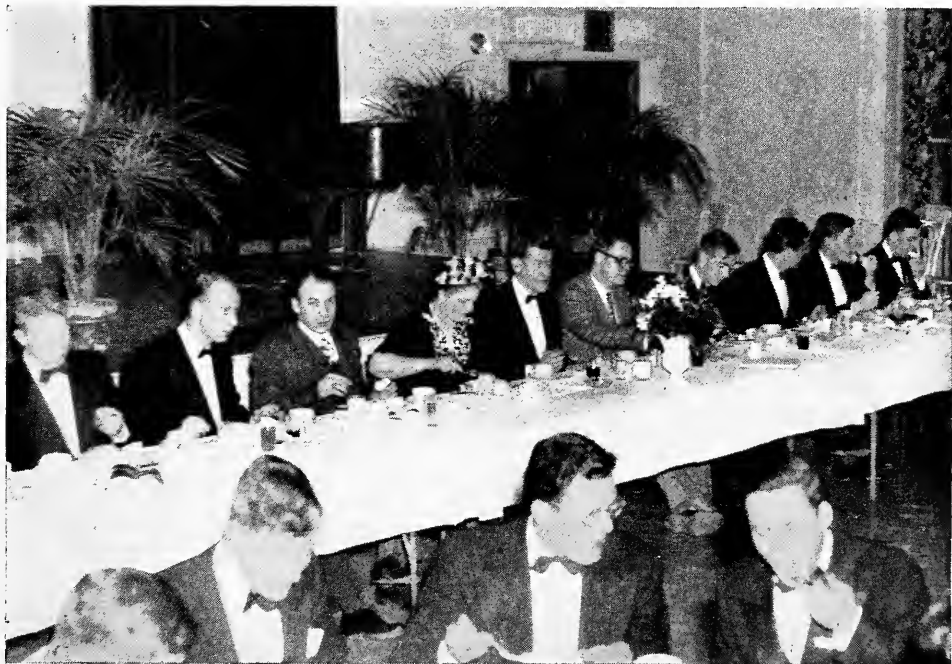
By H. PAT RUPERT

Spring has at last lifted her beautiful  
face to shine up from the West Virginia  
mountains. The grass here is green and  
the air, sweet. Rejoice and find new en-  
thusiasm under this sky, so blue and  
clear.

Remembering our winter-clothed dance  
of February 14th, we can say that that

Valentine party was one of our best. All  
was gaily decorated with red and white  
streamers while a paper heart for each  
couple surrounded our dance floor.  
Brother Gene Caussin and his band pre-  
sented us with music which we all en-  
joyed and danced to with great pleasure.  
In our dining room downstairs we had  
servings of cokes, cookies, and candy,  
the latter two being in the fashion and  
shape of hearts. This was enjoyed by  
candle-light and with the singing that  
followed, a good time was had by all.

Following our plan of being host to  
the many campus sororities, we enter-  
tained the Chi Omegas with a tea dance  
on February 21st. After an hour or so of  
dancing, refreshments consisting of small  
sandwiches, a variety of candy, and a  
huge bowl of punch, were served by  
Mrs. Martin, the Chi O's wonderful  
house mother. That afternoon was an



INITIATION AND ANNIVERSARY BANQUET TABLE

From left to right are: "Mort" Riedel, Secretary, "Bus" Lind, Treasurer, Mr. William Largent, local attorney, Mrs. E. L. Madden, Housemother, Robert Carr, President, Mr. Walter Ackerman, Guest-speaker, representing the national fraternity, Robert Williams, Vice-President, Jack Snapp, Sentinel, Fred McIntosh, Pledgemaster, and Fred Witschie, outstanding pledge.



Our undefeated "B" Team of which we are very proud. Back row from left to right are: Fred McIntoch, George Stump, and "Tex" Dusch. Front row: Jack Powell, Charles Schrader, Gene Thomas who led the league in scoring, and Bill Looney.

enjoyable one and the good time we had will be remembered.

Over one hundred members of Phi Sigma Kappa, including actives, alumni, and guests attended a buffet supper and dance at the chapter house Saturday night, March 13th in observance of the 75th anniversary of the founding of the fraternity. Following an informal motif,

the chapter house was decorated with the fraternity colors, silver and magenta. A bowl of red carnations, the Phi Sig flower, graced the center of the buffet. The local chapter, which was founded in 1891, marked its 57th year. During the course of the evening many outstanding alumni visited the chapter house. Among them was the former governor of West Virginia, Mathew M. Neely. Brother Charles Strother, social chairman, acted as host for the affair, assisted by Brother Raymond Hyre. The chaperones were: Mr. and Mrs. Donovan Bond, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Morris, and Mrs. E. L. Madden, our housemother. Gene Caussin's "Bop-eight" furnished the music for the evening's dancing.

Sunday we presented pins to 15 new initiates and gave our traditional yell afterwards. Our new brothers include: Robert Coffman, Kenna Henderson,



#### NEW BROTHERS

Back row from left to right are: Robert Reager, Norman Knapp, Fred Witschey, Donald Uber, David Kester, George Stump, and Homer Martin. Front row: Albert Bond, Robert Carnahan, Robert Kimmins, Jerry Pepper, and Earl Stalnaker. Foreground kneeling are Kenna Henderson and Robert Coffman.

Robert Whiting, Earl Stalnaker, Robert Reager, David Kester, Norman Knapp, Fred Witschey, George Stump, Albert Bond, Robert Carnahan, Robert Kimmins, Donald Uber, Jerry Pepper, and Homer Martin.

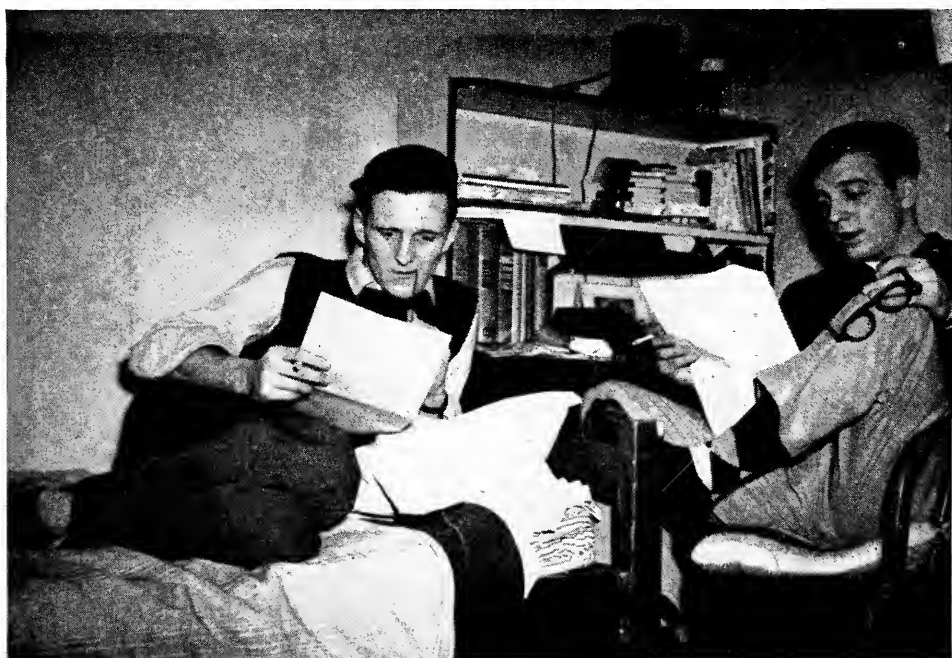
The ballroom of the Hotel Morgan was the scene of a banquet that afternoon in honor of the new initiates of Phi Sigma Kappa. Bro. Walter Ackerman represented the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa, was the speaker for the occasion. The initiation coincided with the fraternity's observance of its anniversary. Mr. Ackerman praised the local chapter for being particularly outstanding in turning out men so high in the business, professional, and scientific world. He also pointed out that Delta Chapter has initiated more members than any other chapter in the fraternity. Brother Robert Carr, president, acted as toastmaster for the occasion. He offered the fraternity's congratulations and welcomed our new



The Phi Sig Basketball "A" Team which did good work. Back row from left to right are: George Freeze, who, by the way, is now playing professional baseball, Bud Parsons, Bob Kaufman, and Bob Kimmings. Front row: Dick Brindley, Jack Feck, and Dick Windon.

brothers into the chapter. He pointed out that the group, as pledges, had done impressive work, and Brother Fred Witschey was then awarded a beautiful cup for being the outstanding pledge. Brother Bob Whiting was honored for being the pledge with the highest scholastic average, a straight 3 point.

I have just received a report on the Intramural Wrestling Matches and Delta



"A tough test to crack," says Brothers Noel Conley and Bill Turner.



At one of our recent dances two Carrs were seen dancing together, My — my —. They are, Brother Bob, our president, and Libby, an Alpha Xi Delta. (no relation)

Chapter is far in the lead. It will run for two more days and at the end of that time the Phi Sigs will be on top, I'm sure. (Not a pun!)

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### CHI

#### Williams College

Spring has at last invaded our "dandy little college in the Berkshires," but the men of Chi have not yet succumbed to the warm, sunny days and beautiful, starlit nights of Williamstown. In fact, a great deal has gone on up here since we last reported.

To begin with we held our March elections, at which Bob Messimer was made president; Frank Ash, vice-president; Elt Williams, secretary; Al Mc-

Lean, inductor; and Bob Bergen, sentinel.

The administration released the scholastic averages of the social units, and while we have never been known as an intellectual stronghold, we would like to congratulate Brothers Frimpter, Weeth, and Carter on making the Dean's List, and particularly Brothers Dorion, McLean and Helprin who made the Freshman Honor Roll. The house is very pleased with the scholarly achievements of our new delegation and hopes they will continue their good work. While we're on the subject of scholastics and booklearning, we wish to congratulate Brothers Lanes and Waterman for the splendid job they did in the recent interfraternity quiz program presented over our local radio station. They tallied the highest number of points of any house to compete thus far.

We would also like to toss a few bouquets to our most generous alumni. Through their efforts this year, we have had our furniture repaired, the trimming of our house painted, and (you won't believe it) the gutter-pipes replaced. Most of this was accomplished before our Winter Houseparty, and we all wish to thank them for the interest which they have been and are showing in the chapter.

Speaking of houseparties, we had one and another is on its way. The winter affair was a great success. Phi Sig drew the largest number of girls of any fraternity. Thanks to Brother Elliott, chairman of the houseparty committee, a good time was had by all. This spring we are joining Delta Phi in what we expect will be a party to end all parties.

We also have a share in extra-curricular activities on the campus. Fred Smith, "Twink" King and "Doc" Weeth will bolster the track team this spring. Brother Weeth, incidently, he just finished his job of co-captain of winter track. Fred Lanes will hurl a bit for the base-

ball team, while Brothers Simpson, Crane, Alberti, Couch and Pledge Pratt are out for lacrosse. Our freshmen are also athletically inclined. Brothers Bob Bergen and George Dorion are running, "Squid" Sheehy and Dick Weiland are playing baseball, and Phil Megna and

man and Art Davis sing in the Glee Club, Brothers Davis and Simpson work on the *Record*, the college paper, and Chuck Alberti was recently elected to the post of secretary of the Adelpic Union, the debating society.

But far and away our biggest prize



WINTER DANCE SNOW STATUE

Dave Bevier are out on the lacrosse field. Bob Larson and "Squid" Sheehy have just finished an undefeated season on the freshman basketball team, after which they led a local amateur club to the county championship. Our house bowling team, composed of Brothers Reed, Weed, Delfin, Lucas, Norris and Ruedemann, is rolling along in great shape. They occupy an undisputed third place and are serious contenders for the college championship.

Non-athletically speaking, we have our fingers in a few pies also. Our radio station functions by the graces of Hank Reed, Dick Verney, Dick Weiland and Art Davis, announcers, and Howie Simpson, Johnny Ward, Chuck Thompson and Jack Austin, engineers. Cap and Bells, our dramatic society, draws support from Brothers Lanes, King, Weed, Verney, Williams, Elliot, Ward, Austin, Helprin and Ash. Proc Water-



MOST GIRLS

of the year was Pledge Wally Pratt's capturing the position of vice-president of the class of 1951-F. This class numbers two students.

Brother "Tiger" Lehmann recently married Miss Alice Carter, younger sister of Brother Mike Carter, at a ceremony performed here in Williamstown and attended by many of the house members. Brother Jack Townsend also took the final step with Miss Mary Irene Lewis. We will lose another good man when Ed Madden tells Miss Olga Ensink, "I will," during this summer vacation.

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**THETA TRITON**  
University of Texas

By BILL BROOKS

ZIM! ZAM! SOWIE! That was just the big bang your brothers at Theta Triton cut loose with this past month. The Phi Sig formal made the headlines

on the U.T. campus and definitely placed our "less-than-one-year-old" chapter in the big league here. Ken Elliot, social chairman, as well as his slave recruits (the Delta Pledge Class) are to be commended for the beauty and success of the gala affair. A decorative motif of peach blossoms and roses formed the central theme for our "moonlight garden," and George Meyers and his orchestra provided the operatic airs. Moonlight gal, Ruth Sawyer, Delta Gamma and also local finalist for the national title, came forth with a heart warming rendition of "I Wish I Didn't Love You So"—and we DO believe she meant every sigh of it! A reception was held at the chapter

house, which was presided over by our "real gone gal," Housemother Kathleen Pratt, before adjourning to the Capital Mural Room in the Stephen F. Austin Hotel for the dance.

Last month's Founders' Day Banquet proved to be a resounding success with a host of loyal Phi Sig alumni on hand for the occasion. The principal spot on the program was shared with the speakers by the Delta Pledge Class, who presented a satirical skit entitled "The Sunshine Girl."

Recent additions to the Delta Pledge Class are Erving Boyce, John Carmody, Hal Hanie, Wayne Hightower, Clyde Hoyt, Jack Koen, Harold Lyvers, Harry



ACTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT AT FOUNDERS' DAY BANQUET

Back row: Billy Thompson, George Chaney, Norman Levin, Nuel Childs, Bill Mays, Jim Fleming, Ken Elliot, Ken Dyer, Art Warren, Walter Moore, Bill Pfennig, Richard Kinney, Bob Gates, Vernon Kelly. Second: Bob Adams, Ray Gafford, Lee Cochran, Morris Yarrow, Bill Brooks, Curtis Scott, L. T. Quinn, Blair Justice, Bill Lacy, Harry Peck. First row: Joe Adamcik, L. Vance Barker, Jim Roseborough, Ray Lorentz, Charles Leik, Mother Magenta.

Matthews, George Nelle, Evert Todd, and Jerry Victorin. We know these pledges will be very happy to know that they will be quite instrumental in the building of the chapter's float for the university's "Roundup" celebration. (At least this may keep them so occupied that the mysterious "short sheeting" of active members' beds might stop.)

With the warm, balmy days of spring approaching most of the members can be found cruising down to Barton Springs for a bit of sun and — uh-huh — plenty of that, too. We mean swimming, of course! In fact, there's a car loading up now, so "Happy summer vacation," (or summer school)! Be seein' ya next fall!

## PI DEUTERON Ohio State University

By CHARLES THOMAS

Founders' Day proved a memorable occasion in the hearts of alumni, actives and pledges at Ohio State University. It was indeed a pleasure to have with us on that date Mr. Herbert L. Brown, National President, and Mr. Collins, Director of Region Four. Mr. Collins most ably served as guest speaker at the dinner held at the Beechwald Restaurant in the suburbs of greater Columbus. We of the Pi Deuteron Chapter were indeed proud of the sixty men in attendance for it was but twenty-two months prior to this that our chapter was reactivated.

The spring quarter at Ohio State Uni-



THETA TRITON'S DELTA PLEDGE CLASS

Back row: Bill Nelms (president), Harold Lyners, Jerry Victorin, Evert Todd, Wayne Hightower, George Nelle (vice-president). Front row: John Carmody (secretary), Erving Boyce, K. Warren, Clyde Hoyt, Harry Matthews.





ART BREBERMAN



STANLEY BIERNACKI



GORDON BRICKER



HERIBERT BUEGER



KENNETH DIEHL



JULIO D. BENEDETTO



JOHN D. FOURNY



JOHN GABRIEL



DANIEL GARST



ROBERT HAMMOND



EARL HAYES



SETH HOAK



JOHN IMHOFF



EDWARD JAROS



WILLIAM GORDON



HARRY LYLE

# PHI SIGMA KAPPA



JOSEPH SHAW



RALPH SNYDER



HAROLD CONRAD



ROGER LEATHERMAN



KEITH MILLER



"BEANIE" DRAKE



HAROLD NUNAMAKER



EDWARD PALES



FELIX PALOMBO



JOHN PFAHL



JACK PLYMALE



DANTE RAMIGONE



RICHARD SAMSEL



REN SINKHORN



RICHARD SLYKER



KENNETH SNOW



RODNEY SQUIERS



REBELL STROLLO



GEORGE STUHLDEHER



THOMAS TAGGART



CHARLES THOMAS



NICK TRAVASSO



JAMES TUTTLE



FRANCIS TRESEMER



RICHARD WALSH



SAMUEL WARE



JAMES WILLIS

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versity finds the Pi Deuteron Chapter engaged in the initiation of an active social season. The quarter was heralded with a rush party at the chapter house in the form of a buffet dinner which in turn was followed by a theatre party.

Ken Diehl, recently elected social chairman, and a prominent participant in Ohio State's dramatic and radio activities, has outlined a full and interesting social program for this quarter. In store are weiner roasts, exchange dinners, Friday night mixers, the annual Spring Formal and a most unique costume affair based on characters from the well remembered nursery rhymes.

The members of the Pi Deuteron Chapter are finding their time to be of an essence for in addition to the usual academic load of the spring quarter, the participation in intramural sports as baseball, golf and tennis, and the enactment of a full social program, the financial aspect in the operation of the recently acquired chapter house is being handled by such measures as tax stamp drives and a highly successful magazine subscription campaign under the able direction of Heribert Buerger.

It is with pride that we conclude our contribution to the SIGNET with a word regarding the Mothers' Club of the Pi Deuteron Chapter. This organization, though new, is progressing with the impetus of the proverbial irresistible force. Mrs. Taggart of Springfield, Ohio, is the group's president and under her guidance they are meeting for most enjoyable monthly meetings which foster highly commendable projects and suggestions for the Columbus chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

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#### **DELTA TRITON** **Purdue University**

Towards evening on the twentieth day of March, 1948, the halls of Delta Triton echoed with expressions of congratulations, good wishes, and fraternal joy;

for within her bonds stood fifteen newly initiated brothers, proven, throughout their pledgship, by their united efforts to make Delta Triton of Phi Sigma Kappa rank high on the lists of fraternal fame.

In their efforts they have earnestly participated in campus activities, engaged actively in intramural sports, supported all chapter social events, and carried on successfully their pledge program; all in a spirit that has won merit and approval for their class and Delta Triton.

The Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Phi Sigma Kappa's founding was eagerly awaited and well remembered by the members of Delta Triton. Founders' Day we were guests of Beta Triton at Knox College where we enjoyed a program very fitting for the occasion and hospitality which is a tribute to the "word and spirit" of fraternity. Alpha Deuteron of Illinois, who entertained us last year, and Beta Triton will be our guests next year at a Founders' Day Celebration which we hope will be as successful as theirs have been.

Brother Frank Goff, social chairman last quarter, and Brother Virgil Ruble, social chairman this quarter, with his more than able assistant Brother Sam Gibson have directed Delta Triton's social life along very active lines. When the house mothers on campus get together they still speak of the Phi Sig Coed Chaperones' Dinner. House mothers from each sorority and womens coop house, head residents from the halls, the Dean of Women and her staff, our faculty adviser and his wife were guests at this formal dinner. Short talks were given by Joe Whistler, the chapter president; Miss Helen Schleman, Dean of Women; and Prof. F. E. Robbins, the fraternity's faculty adviser.

Perhaps the most important social events held during this last quarter were the Interfraternity Ball, preceded by a formal dinner, and the Spring Triad,

held with Alpha Chi Rho and Alpha Sigma Pi fraternities.

Coming soon is the Junior Prom with music furnished by Russ Morgan and Skitch Henderson.

With the return of spring comes that urge for the outdoor life. As far as we are concerned that urge means picnics, and picnics we have planned—one with Pi Beta Phi sorority and one with Phi Mu sorority.

With Brother Sam Gibson as manager and Brother Duke Durfee as barker, the "Phi Sig Boxettes" comprised of Brothers Dick Motsinger, Bob Evans, Al Redmond, and Pete Peterson gave the women on the campus a real thrill with their version of the "Can-Can." All this was conducted as a publicity stunt to promote our candidate, Brother Goff, for Goldiggers' Ball King.

Brother Loyal Campbell was recently

initiated into the activities honorary, Gimlets. Loyal is the wrestling manager this year of the Purdue squad. Brother Ed Karpick is now listed in the collegiate "Who's Who" and the Iron Key on campus. Brother Joe Whistler has been initiated in the national agricultural honorary, Alpha Zeta. Brother Joe Longa was recently initiated into Kappa Psi, the national honorary for pharmacy students. Brother Gil "Beef" Bertulino is pledge master of the activities honorary, Skull & Crescent, and is able to crack a mean whip over Brother Mike "Gus" Counenakis, who is a pledge to that organization.

Under the diligent leadership of President Joe Whistler and the direction of House Manager Bill Wright, who is everything from plumber to consulting engineer, Delta Triton has been actively engaged in a series of house improve-



Standing, left to right: Donald Clayton, Michael Counenakis, chapter President Joseph Whistler, Richard Motsinger, Robert Baxter, Larry Busby. Seated, left to right: Ferman Reed, William Henley, Edgar Schiffer, Robert Evans, Donald Post, Mr. Post. Kneeling, left to right: Bernhard Peterson, William Schafer, Robert Berg, Horace Hays, Sam Gibson.

ments. The latest improvement consists of laying a new rug in and redecorating the living room. Our basement room has undergone a steady reconversion of a bare storage room to the "bum room," while another is now well equipped as the game room. Brother Jack Halladay, who has a touch of the artist in him, has drawn several profiles which are now hanging in the bum room and which show a remarkable resemblance to various members of the house,—maybe that's why they call it the "Bum room."

Mrs. F. E. Robbins, wife of the chapter's faculty adviser, has painted another of her interesting landscapes and given it to the house where it adds definite beauty to the living room. To Mrs. Robbins we give our sincerest, "Thank you."

Newly instituted at Purdue is the Football Card Section, a group that adds color to our home games. Active in the original administrative group were Brothers Beef Betulius, Ed Schiffer, and Pete Peterson. Brother Betulius among his other numerous duties has found time to edit our alumni magazine, "The Agathonian", and to model for art classes at St. Francis.

Brother Ed Karpick has added a diamond to the jewel of Pi Phi Beeba Holden, and set the date for early spring. June 19th, is the day Brother Joe Longa and Miss Jean O'Leary of East Chicago have set for their wedding.

### *They Come And Go*

Our promising spring pledge class is composed of William J. Kayer, a forestry major from Erie, Pa.; James R. Blackwell of Madisonville, Ky., who is a freshman engineering student; E. Dan Aldred of Warren, Ind., and Joe J. Sedik of Chicago Heights, Ill., who are electrical engineering students; Al G. Hartman, who is an agriculture major from Evansville, Ind.; Robert C. Smyth,

a civil engineering student from Warren, Ind.; and Louis Schroeder of Greensburg, Ind., who is an agricultural engineer.

Graduating seniors who bid a sad farewell to Delta Triton last February are Brothers Jack Vaught, Clause Nacke, Ed Karpick, Dave Shook, Charles Foster, and Jerry Collins. The June graduates are Brothers Joe Whistler, Loyal Campbell, and Chet Cox.

Pledge Bill Krayner is battling for the varsity left half position this spring and is doing quite well.

At the Purdue Relays, one of the most colorful and thrilling track events in the country, Brother Larry Busby, captain of the Purdue Track Team, took first place honors for the pole vault and set a new Purdue Relays' record of 13' 9½". As Brother Busby cleared that last bar, thus setting a new record, the fieldhouse rocked with a deafening applause. Besides being the only Purdue trackman to hold a Purdue Relay's record, Brother Busby also holds the indoor and outdoor pole vault records here at Purdue and should be clearing fourteen feet before the season ends.

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## RHO DEUTERON

### Gettysburg College

By MARK S. TOME

Now that everyone has returned to college after a glorious, but short, Easter vacation, the members of Rho Deuteron reassume the responsibilities of gaining an education and of keeping Phi Sigma Kappa alive.

Founders' Day again afforded an ample opportunity for the alumni to renew old acquaintances as well as to meet new brothers. In the afternoon a memorial service was held in memory of Dr. Stewart W. Herman, Rho Deuteron, '99. Dr. Henry W. A. Hanson gave due respects of esteem to our cherished brother, chaplain, and comrade.

Later in the afternoon the annual softball game was held between the alumni and the active brothers at which time the alumni were thoroughly swamped. This was the first time since the event was established that the alumni were defeated.

The evening presented a fine banquet with nearly one hundred seventy-five present to enjoy the festivities. Addresses were given by Brother Horace Barnes, Pi Chapter, and Dr. Norman Richardson, Head of Department of Philosophy, Gettysburg College. Singing of many of the fraternity songs was enjoyed by all. Again credit is due Brother Bob Nemeschy and his assistants for their fine work in arranging the day's events.

Early spring has brought with it an outstanding Phi Sig volleyball team under the able leadership of Brother Robert Avencena, who is confident that with the present spirit and sportsmanship the team will take the intramural title. Mainstays of the crew are Brothers Avencena, Gleichman, Hassler, Hopkins, Houser, Mansur, Ortel, Rudisill, Sanner, and Sperry. Brother "Nick" Hassler is to be coach of the softball team which will get started as soon as volleyball is over.

Newly initiated brothers of Rho Deuteron are: Donald Diehl, Charles Flaherty, Raymond L. Lewis, James G. Mackey, Jr., George E. Mansur, William J. Nebinger, John W. Neff, R. Wade Ortel, Dwight W. Speaker, Mark S. Tome, and Robert F. Unger. Pledged during the second semester were: Herbert Adams, Robert Hall, Theodore Lindquist, Glenn Munch, and William Rock.

The game room under the direction of Brothers Holland and Diehl, H., has taken on the appearance of a ship. A new ping-pong table was made along with a large circular table for playing of cards. A loud speaker which helps make things merry was attached to the radio-vic combination by Brother Julius "Caesar" Tondat.

Recent elections placed the following in office for the remainder of the school year: President, John Depfer; Vice-President, Jack Keller; Secretary, Jack Schaeffer; Treasurer, Tom Lescalleet; Sentinel, John Schwartz; Inductor, Robert Braun. Brother Richard Pendergast McLarnon, who recently became steward, is doing a fine job.

National President Herbert L. Brown is working with a ritual team composed of Brothers Lescalleet, Bretz, Nemeschy, Schwartz, Braun, Miller, G., and Raf-fensberger, also coached by Brother Shuster, for the presentation of the ritual at the forthcoming Convention.

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## THETA DEUTERON Oregon State College

By ROBERT E. ULLMAN

Spring term has descended upon the Phi Sigs here at Oregon State, and with it comes promises for a semester full of fun and frolic — studies not to be neglected of course.

The crowded trophy shelf and table became even more so when the fellows came through with 3 more trophies for the winter term. The bowling cup was secured after much time and effort by a process of single elimination of some 24 fraternities. Not that all Phi Sigs are pool sharks, but we must say that is the case of pledges Jim English and Mike Richardson. They brought home the bacon in the form of two individual billiard trophies.

Don't say 13 is unlucky to our new initiates, or you're liable to have exactly 13 new wearers of the jewels right on your neck. Those who were found qualified for membership in Phi Sigma Kappa were: Charles Lawton, Bill Russel, Al Smith, Lawrence Gromachey, Don Miller, Russel Poff, Don Mast, Warren Bacon, Conrad Bergstrom, Dale Davis, Jim

Derdick, Bob Detlefson, and Jack La-Franchise.

How wonderful can mothers be? Not to be stopped after giving us table linen, table and floor lamps, and other house articles, they recently presented us with five of the very latest types of ash trays. Thanks a million Phi Sig mothers, and you can be sure your much needed gifts are appreciated by all of the fellows here at Theta Deuteron.

"Hit the deck," and with that call some pledge's dream is shattered at 6:30 in the morning. Quickly he jumps out of bed and runs for the door — he wants to be the first one on the job, no doubt? Well, anyway it's fun to see the sun come up say Ed Coulson, Bill Durkheimer, Jack Williamson, Pete Presley, Cal Rowe,

Mike Richardson, Bob Lammers, Bob Grey, Jim English, John Alvarez, and Keith Shinn. Cal says, "I'll be glad to show our newest pledge, Dale Walker, all of the places where the house checker doesn't look — then you can sweep all of your dust there."

"Whew, didn't think I'd make it." "It took a lot of work." Those are some of the remarks soon to be heard around the house come graduation day in June. Those receiving their graduation certificates will be: Norm Newman, Norm Peterson, Rudy DeLateur, Dale Churchill, Howard Long, Chet Dailey, Jim Drummond, Dwight Didzun, Bill Russel, Bob Weisenback, Bob Dungan, Dave Keller, John Runckel, Had Reeves, Joe Boehm, Leon Binder, Wayne Brunnick,



Plenty to eat and good music for dancing was the theme for Theta Deuteron's Swedish Smorgasbord held during winter term. The first of its kind held since the ending of the war, the dinner-dance was a delightful experience for all, and one that will long be remembered.



Theta Deuteron's present members of Scabbard and Blade, Oregon State College military honor society. From left to right: Norm Peterson, Company Commander; Rudy De Lateur, Battalion Commander; Norm Newman, past Regimental Commander.

Ross Gearheart. Graduate degrees go to Les Jones, Wally Calaway, and George Gwinn.

The Swedes ruled for a day when the Phi Sigs here threw a dinner-dance party in the form of a Swedish Smorgasbord. Numerous varieties of cheese, bread, fish, meat, vegetables, fruits and other delicacies, the names of which are unknown, were served and eaten with relish by all of the seventy couples who attended. "By yumping yimminy, I ban tink I like to be a Swede," and "Hey, you big jerk," floated freely through the air during the party, mixing with the music being played by Brother Had Reeves and his orchestra, currently featured at one of



Theta Deuteron's letter winners give forth with a smile. First row: Jay Tanner, football; Conrad Bergstrom, football; Dale Walker, football; Bud Gromachey, swimming; Norm Newman, football. Second row: Jim Conroy, football; Ken Story, basketball; Bob Dungan, football; Bert Allinger, football; and Bob Ullman, swimming. (Missing from the picture were: Don Mast, football; Win Severson, past Yell King for Oregon State, and Dwight Didzun, crew.

the night clubs located in another town.

Honor roll mention: A 3.5 average or better was the goal attained by the following four men: Dwight "Brains" Haugen, Walt "Spade" Smith, Bob "It Was Nothing" Wilson, and Bob "Bookworm" Dungan.

Pin planting, engaged, married, and new additions to the family — we've got



Jim Hansen, Theta Deuteron. President of the junior class, Oregon State College.

'em all here at Theta Deuteron. Don Miller started it by giving away his pin to a Theta. Then Dale Churchill, Bob Grey, Jack Hartman, Keith Millhollen, Jim Southwick, and George Watson (?) announced their engagements — weddings to be held this summer. Married within the past month was George Gwinn. The proud papa of a baby boy is Bill Baker, while Bill Robertson, now head trainer for Oregon State, was blessed with a baby girl.

High light of the spring social schedule is to be the annual Flower Dance. Over 100 couples are expected, not including rushing guests who have been invited to attend. The Phi Sigs are also looking forward to a beach party at one of the local coast resort towns, not too far distant. A fireside in the back yard patio, and two exchange dinners will help to round out the spring calendar.

Rushing is being taken seriously here at Theta Deuteron, with plans for summer and fall rushing already made. Throughout the school year guests have been invited down to spend a week-end at the house, or attend some of our social functions. This has been very successful, but the climax for this year will come in the form of Campus Week-end, a school event. At the present time, over 35 invitations to guests have been sent out, with the event still a month and a half away. We may be sleeping four to a bed, but the Phi Sigs here are going to see that as many as possible are afforded the opportunity to attend this exciting event.

Theta Deuteron has ended one of its most successful years under the very able leadership of Rudy DeLateur. Being a house president of some 65 men is no easy job, but the diligence with which he applied himself can be set as an example for future leaders to follow. To our new president, George Watson, we offer our support and mutual cooperation toward what we feel will be another great year for Theta Deuteron's Phi Sigs.

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### LAMBDA

George Washington University

By JOHN W. GILROY

March 14th found Lambda observing "Founders' Day" in its customary manner. Brothers, pledges, and alumni attended St. Paul's Church in the morning where Brother William E. Firth, Lambda '33, gave a sermon on the Card-

inal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa. Under the supervision of Brother Schlup, assisted by Brothers Gray, Adams and Gilroy a very successful cocktail dance and buffet supper was held later in the day. A local orchestra supplied music until six o'clock when the delicious buffet supper was served by the Mothers' Club. We were happy to see so many alumni back with us again to join in celebrating the seventy-fifth anniversary of our founding.

Continuing our social schedule we held the second party of the year honoring a varsity team from the University. The highly successful basketball team with their coach, Arthur "Otts" Zahn, Lambda '32, were our guests at a Phi Sig Saturday night beer party. On a succeeding Saturday night we were hosts to the Princeton University sailing team which was defeated earlier in the day at the hands of the George Washington Sailing Club under the leadership of Brother Eric Nordholm, Commodore of G. W. Skippers. Intervening Saturday nights and week-ends found us visited by traveling brothers from various chapters throughout the country.

Lambda is now tied for first place in the interfraternity bowling league and we are eagerly awaiting the playoffs. Brother Art Matteson, captain of the team, has high hopes for a victory. With the coming of spring, softball bats and gloves have been dug out of closets and at the present time we find ourselves on the top of the heap in first place. Under the guidance of our new athletic manager, Brother Bill Price, arrangements are being made for the coming track meet, tennis, and golf matches.

Early in April, Lambda awarded to the outstanding freshman orator its Freshman Debating Cup. The contest was met with good response by the G. W. speech department and members of the freshman class with fourteen competitors. The award was presented by Broth-

er Charles Lilien, president of the Forensic Society which is G. W.'s debating team.

For several months under the direction of Brothers Hoffacker, Schlup and Borden, plans have been formulating for the opening of our kitchen once more. Our chairman tells us that we will not only have the best kitchen and best meals on campus but we will also have the best cook — "Bessie."

Elected to lead the chapter during the spring quarter were Stan Williams, president; William Collins, vice-president; Eugene A. Leonard, secretary; Richard H. Adams, treasurer; John W. Gilroy, sentinel; and Robert Dentz, inductor. George Oliver Hook continues to serve us very ably as house manager and Eugene E. Trimble is our new rushing chairman.

Recent formal initiation has brought within our fold Brothers Andrew Cook and Howard Fleiger both of Washington, D. C. Marks being what they were last semester, we had a few pledges remaining in the pledge class and their ranks were added to recently with the pledging of William Friis, Bernard Gallagher, Ben Griffith, Robert Linke, Roy Newkirk, Gene Shanks, and William Tenery.

Phi Sigs were also very prominent in campus affairs this year and are now reaping their just rewards. Brother Charles Lilien is reasonably assured of being elected to the post of advocate on the student council of the University. He has also been pledged to Delta Phi Epsilon, honorary foreign affairs fraternity. Brothers Lew Hoffacker, John Gray, and Robert Abbott have been initiated into Gate and Key, honorary fraternity for outstanding fraternity men. Alpha Kappa Psi, professional commerce fraternity, has initiated Brothers Robert Elliott, Richard O'Brien and Eugene Trimble.

Plans for the immediate future include the observance of the first "Greek Week"



at George Washington. A well established tradition on many campuses throughout the nation, G. W. is giving it its enthusiastic backing. The sixteen fraternities on the campus have pledged their full support to the program. On Sunday afternoon of Greek Week, tea dances will be held at each of seven houses of the host fraternities. Because of the size and beauty of our new house we have been selected as one of the hosts. Monday will find brief meetings followed by stag beer parties with Tuesday a breathing spell for all but five of our number who will attend a discussion on the problems of fraternities in general. Gate and Key has organized a buffet supper for Wednesday. Thursday and Friday are already a big headache to most of the brothers. The Interfraternity Council has declared these two days to be a period of Greek silence. During that period all "Greeks" are requested to refrain from having any oral conversation with the fairer sex, "thus placing the female element in its proper niche." "Pinned" brothers can be heard mournfully explaining why their better halves have to be ignored for forty-eight hours. The week's festivities will be climaxed on Friday night with the annual IFC Prom. If the Greek silence is effective enough, some of the brothers may find themselves without dates for the big dance. Brother Walter Cravens, our interfraternity representative, is one of the guiding geniuses of Greek Week. Brother Cravens has also been elected our delegate to the convention in Boston in August.

Definite plans have been set for the annual Carnation Ball held in conjunction with Eta, Lambda, and Epsilon Triton. We are all looking forward to a gala evening in the Continental Room of the Wardman Park Hotel. Epsilon Triton is the chairman of the dance this year and we are assured that it will be bigger and better than ever.

Also included in things to come is our annual "breather" at Chopowamsic National Forest near Quantico, Va. Brother Melvin Chrisman is the chairman this year and his planning and drive will undoubtedly make the entire project a success. We are going there in the period between semesters to recuperate from the rugged exams we know will face us in the middle of May.

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## BETA TRITON

Knox College

By BOB REED

Now that the examinations are over for the winter quarter, and the brothers are back from a short Easter vacation, we are ready to swing into our spring activities. The coming of spring here at Knox sees us planning intramural victories in track, softball, tennis, and golf. Other activities on the agenda are the May Day Formal, initiation, and many pleasant afternoons out at Lake Storey.

The highlights of our last quarter activities were our Founders' Day Banquet and the Formal Dinner-Dance. In celebrating the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the founding of the fraternity, we sponsored a Founders' Day Banquet which was given on March 13th in the Rose Ballroom of the Hotel Custer. The guests for the occasion were delegates from Alpha Deuteron, Delta Triton, and alumni from Galesburg and Chicago. Among the speakers for the evening were Ralph J. Watts, business manager of Lawrence College, who is Director at Large and Historian of Phi Sigma Kappa; Dr. Harold E. Way, vice-president of Knox College and chairman of the department of physics; and Dr. Charles J. Adamec, head of the Knox Classics department and former dean of Knox College, who is faculty adviser for Beta Triton Chapter. Brother Bill Foley, Beta Triton '38, was the toastmaster. The

affair was a highly successful one, and from all reports a good time was had by all. This year also marks an anniversary for Beta Triton Chapter. In November it will be twenty years for us on the Knox campus.

The Oak Room of the Galesburg Club was the setting in which we held our winter formal on February 13th. This year the affair featured a dinner followed by dancing to the music of George Hoffman and his orchestra. This too was another highly successful affair.

Several members of the chapter distinguished themselves by winning honors during this school year. Glen LeFevre, Dick Miller, and Bill Wollman were elected into the Key Club. Bill Weber and Jim Moser were admitted into the Friars. Ted Parker won a swimming medal in the intramural meet. Bill Frazer, past president of Scabbard and Blade, was one of the few active members instrumental in reorganizing this society to an active stature after the war.

Hugh Watson was a member of the varsity debate team which had an unusually successful season. The Knox squad placed very high at all tournaments including the Grand National Tournament this spring at Fredericksburg, Virginia.

The new officers for the spring quarter are President, Bill Wollman; Vice-President, Dick Miller; Treasurer, Fred Tress; Secretary, Bob Reed; Inductor, Hugh Watson; and Sentinel, Ralph Plantenga.

The annual spring formal was held at the Soangetaga Country Club on Lake Rice on the outer edge of Galesburg.

Our intramural basketball team ended the season with a 500% average. In our last game we surprised everyone by upsetting the undefeated Tekes 40-34 in the Intramural Basketball Tournament.

Jack Carlson surprised everyone by hanging his pin on Flivie Byrkit.

## ETA TRITON University of Akron

By ED PERRY

The Eta Triton Chapter observed the 75th Annual Founders' Day Banquet at Semler's Hotel in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. We sat down at 7:30 P.M. on March the 15th to a menu of one pound 'T' bone steaks with all of the trimmings.

The principal speaker for the evening was Lt. Cmdr. Robert Kirmse, who spoke on the subject of the Reserve Naval Training Program in relation to Akron. The Akron airport, incidently has the largest training base of any other inland city in the country.

The distinguished guests were Sr. H. E. Simmons, President of the University of Akron, Dr. Roy V. Sherman, Head of the Political Science Department of the University of Akron, Mr. D. R. Collins, Director, Region IV of Phi Sigma Kappa, and three members of Kappa Sigma Chi Fraternity of Kent State University. The three men were Bill Williams, Dick Zimmerman and Larry Lauber. PSK is attempting to nationalize there.

The program was very good due to the masterful planning of Brother Bob Cross. He acted in the capacity of toastmaster and introduced the speakers. First active President Patrick O'Brien welcomed every one, introduced three men that were pledged that day, the men from KSC, and presented Dr. Sherman with his active pin. Things were moved along by the song fest team singing such selections as the "Girl of My Dreams" and "Whiffenpoof" and Pledge Alex Thomas played a violin solo. The speaker talked and answered questions for some time. Then the gentlemen songsters sang the "Phi Sig Dream Girl" with Brother Bill Pierson doing the solo honors. Incidentally the song just mentioned was written by one of our own men. The banquet ended at 9:35 and tables were set up for cards.

The publicity was good with six local newspapers covering it and six radio stations plugging the history of the fraternity for a week before it came due. We had 168 reservations and only two cancelled. Cards were sent to every man who had ever been on the ETA TRITON roll and these were followed up by personal phone calls to everyone. The decorations were lavish and judging from all of the comments at the banquet and later the whole thing was a huge success.

Active President Patrick O'Brien has added another scholastic honorary to the long list of his accomplishments by becoming a member of Pi Sigma Alpha, national political science group here on the campus. Brother O'Brien has added to the prestige of PSK by giving talks on the meaning of fraternity life in college to such organizations as the Lions Club and others.

Spring vacation! That is the time of year when all the men here set their alarm clocks one half hour early so that they can waken up and sneer at it. Yes, spring is in the air and here at Akron

once again the round of spring social events are starting.

We have great hope in our songfest team this year, under the skillful direction of Brother Gordy Herrod and Pledge Tony Economu. They have been entertaining such fraternal groups as the Lions Club with songs that are familiar to all of us. With Pledge Bill Spangler at the piano the men from left to right around the semi-circle are Earl Dennison, Gene Baughman, Bill Pierson, Bob Cross, John Berg, Tony Economu, Bob McCort, Bob Blankenship, Ted Boecker, Jim Spear, Fred Conner, Don Morris, Dick Jameison, Bill Spangler and Gordy Herrod.

Brother Bob McCort planned a beautiful rushing season this semester and once again the new faces take their places around the chapter house. During the rushing period we had our annual Phi Sig Night which is the time that a show is produced by our own talent for the entertainment of the whole campus every year.

Our annual Spring Formal was held at the exclusive Twin Lakes Country Club



"WHEN PHI SIGS COME BACK HOME." FOUNDERS' DAY BANQUET

in Kent, Ohio, where the good brothers danced to the music of Roger Ellis and his fine orchestra.

We haven't been able to exercise our custom of giving a dozen roses and singing the Phi Sig Dream Girl song to every newly pinned girl since the last issue of *The SIGNET* came out. It seems that even though it is still leap year the brothers are too wary to be caught.

The poor Eta Triton pledges have been very busy lately giving the house a good face lifting in the spring cleaning. The actives grudgingly admit that it looks a lot better after looking around to see if a pledge is in hearing distance.

The name of Roy V. Sherman, PhD, was recently added to the chapter roll and after the ceremony of activation he stated, "It really is a wonderful experience to become a fraternity man at forty-six." The doctor is the Head of the Political Science Department at the University of Akron, and also our Faculty Adviser.

The most recent work of Brother Ozzie Shama was the pledging of Alex Thomas and Jim Spear, one a very fine violinist, the other a world traveler and former Air Force man who was present on December 7 at Pearl Harbor. He has described the scenes very realistically in bull sessions here at the chapter house.

Brothers Dick Hansford and Everett Royal were awarded the silver medal as outstanding R.O.T.C. men in a ceremony last Army Day. The citations were presented by Major General Robert S. Beightler, war time head of Ohio's 37th Infantry Division.

There are big plans afoot here and they are all pointing toward the Diamond Jubilee in Boston next August. Some of the ideas are to charter a bus and take about half of the chapter. We are all looking forward to the convention very eagerly and anticipate having a good fraternal time with the other delegates there.

## ALPHA DEUTERON

University of Illinois

By DICK DEBAUGH

Alpha Deuteron's program for the spring semester of 1948 is the most extensive and comprehensive in the history of the chapter. This, we feel, is in keeping with the significance of 1948 — the year of the 75th anniversary of Phi Sigma Kappa's founding. It is truly an opportune time to take cognizance of the inestimable potentialities held by us as a fraternity. The greatness and fineness of true fraternity holds a challenge that we of Alpha Deuteron are endeavoring to earnestly meet through activity and fellowship. As we expand in the scope of physical activity, so may we grow in the knowledge and attitudes of true fraternity.

To guide the active chapter Phi Sigs at the University of Illinois on its lively way are the following recently installed "wheels": Don Robinson, President; Dick DeBaugh, President of Vice; Art Vyse, Minutes-man; Bob Pearson, Juggler of the Funds; C. O. Hinderer, Sentinel and Commissar of the Commissary; and Howie Broom, Inductor and Rushing Chairman. Although the load is expected to be heavy for these officers, the usual fine cooperation received from the brothers will go to lighten their jobs.

The chapter is proud to report the pledging of four new men, all of whom are choice prospects for future brothers. They are Gene Turner, Indianapolis; Bill Braun, Belleville; Jimmy Graham, Sterling; and Denny Orphan, Chicago. Happy pledgeship, gentlemen.

June and summer school graduations will take several Phi Sigs from student status, and we who will be returning to school next fall salute and wish good fortune to the following brothers: Don Kramer, Bud Reese, Bill Eaton, Bill Wilson, Van Gongaware, Keck Dawson, Don Karr, Jim Huff, Gene Barta, Bill Prentiss, and Don Omohundro. Also

graduating are two highly capable past presidents. They are conscientious Carroll Nelson and "bon vivant" John Gainer. May they all gain a happy life.

Hand in hand with the loss of these good brothers goes the matter of pledging to fill their places in the Phi Sig sun. New Rushing Chairman Howie Broom is already formulating plans to meet rushing needs, and it is his intention to cover the state this summer to create contacts and perhaps line up a few prospective Phi Sig pledges. Brother Broom has entered into his job with all the vim and vigor that it requires, and the chapter is confident of top results.

The distaff influence is still having its effect on Alpha Deuterionites as three more pins have left the fold. Brother Dave Kramer is now the property of Marcene Burdge, his home town choice, and Brother Tommy Stewart, erstwhile misogynist, chose lovely Lou Nash to wear his pin. The rest of the chapter is eagerly awaiting spring formal time to meet these two new Phi Sig sweethearts. The third pin went to lovely Carmen Leonard, Phi Mu president. The giver — handsome Bob "Whitey" Pearson. New chapter secretary Art Vyse recently caused commotion when he placed that little band of possessive priority on the third finger left hand of Norma McHoes, Delta Gamma.

The chapter enjoyed one of its most sparkling evenings and successful functions on March 15, this year's date of our annual Sorority Housemothers Banquet. The Dean of Women and twenty-three housemothers were our various dates for the evening, and we are still receiving plaudits from them for the success of this annual affair. Steeped in tradition, the fame of our Housemothers Banquet is campus wide and is solidly entrenched as one of our major events.

While on the subject of banquets, it is the desire of the chapter to express, through The SIGNET to the fraternity na-

tionally, its thanks and praises to Beta Triton for the gracious hosting of the annual Founders' Day Banquet. About eighteen of the brothers journeyed to Galesburg, Illinois, for the banquet, and it was indeed pleasurable to renew acquaintances with the brothers from Knox as well as with the brothers of Delta Triton from Purdue who were also in attendance.

Another banquet and annual affair is our Alumni Banquet set for April 7. Brother Bill Nicholas is chairman of this event, and he has hopes of receiving at least twenty local alums back to the chapter house to provide a few hours of pleasure for us and a few hours of memory and nostalgia for the alums. Of course, things are never as good as they used to be, but we're still trying to be worthy of our predecessors — our alums.

Plans for the yearly University Mothers Day are shaping up under the direction of Brothers Curt Jansky and Joe Gauger. As usual, the University has provided a week-end of events to satisfy any and all tastes. Along with a few "doins" of our own, we and our best girls — our mothers — should have a full schedule.

With Brother Dick Casper as the prime mover our spring formal with its traditional "Maytime" theme is developing and promises to be an occasion of beauty and dignity. Colonel Casper and his committee of Lieutenants will have been at work for two months prior to the date of the dance, May 2, and it looks as though Phi Sigma Kappa will have another one of the outstanding dances on campus. The Sunday following the dance will find us all on a day-long picnic. All in all, this week-end promises to be full of fun, frolic, and food.

The University of Illinois' annual charity carnival is to be held April 10. Our entry in the fraternity competition for the best booth, show, or whatever-you-can-think-up is being planned and guided

by Brothers Cy Deitch and C. O. Hinderer. "Flicker Flashbacks" is the title of our entry and the Phi Sig gang will endeavor to recapture that gone but not forgotten 1900 atmosphere of the nickelodeon.

The list of Phi Sig honor men is steadily increasing, and professional and honorary fraternity shingles are numerous throughout the house. Bud Reese is a member of Kappa Tau Alpha, national journalism honorary, and Alpha Delta Sigma, professional advertising fraternity. Fred Hubbell and Duke Gotti are affiliated with Phi Mu Alpha, professional music honorary. Beta Alpha Psi, national accounting fraternity, has Keck Dawson as one of its latest additions, while Dick Casper is now affiliated with Scabbard and Blade, national military honorary. The proud wearer of the Chappy Burroughs diamond studded pin this year is Gene Barta, whose high scholastic average gained him the honor. The University recently awarded scholarships to Bud Reese and Don Kramer in the amounts of \$700 and \$50 respectively, both of which are well deserved. Incidentally, Brother Reese is having an interesting and unusual semester of which his unique schedule bears evidence. Bud is dividing his time between teaching advertising for the University, picking up a few needed hours for graduation, and taking some units of graduate work towards his masters degree. Latest of the brothers to affiliate with an honor society is capable Al Watne, now an associate of Omega Beta Pi, national pre-med honorary.

The chapter's interest is still highly centered on the Moonlight Girl Contest as our entrant, blonde and beautiful Carolyn Nordstrom, is still in the running. We're all hoping that she will be the reigning queen of the national convention at Boston this summer. As for the convention, Diamond Jubilee time will find many Alpha Deuteron men in at-

tendance. If one can believe the present talk around the house two or even three carloads will make the trip.

Things around the house seem to be going smoothly. Hans, our German Shepherd mascot, is becoming very well known on campus and may develop into the champion fighter of the local dog world. A degree of peace and quiet has returned to our kitchen with the acquisition of a new stove. The ever present friendly music war is still in effect with C. O. Hinderer, jazz dilettant, and Gene Nibbelin, classics exponent, leading the factions. By the way, we call the attention of one and all to our bit of national publicity. CAPITOL NEWS, house publication of Capitol Records, contains in its April issue a half page photograph of Alpha Deuteron men and June Christy, vocalist with Stan Kenton's orchestra. Other happy hours, sandwiched in among the long hours of study, are taken up by exchange dinners, exchange desserts, serenades, and sweetheart dinners.

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### OMEGA

#### University of California

By WARREN SCHOONOVER

Omega, having recovered from the finals of the fall semester, is rarin' to go. We have bagged six new pledges in the spring rushing. They are pledges Bob Barnard (pledge president), Harl Bennett, John Monks, Ed Foster, Jack Tearnan, and Al Wiggins.

No sooner had we finished rushing than we started hell week for the initiation of six pledges from the fall. After a week of hell, hard labor and what have you, we held the initiation on Saturday, March thirteenth, and welcomed six new brothers into Omega Chapter. The new brothers are: Joe Atkinson, Bob Hemenway, Jack Kasten, Jack MacArthur, Larry Moore and Dave Peterson, and all are just as proud as

they can be. Following the initiation all brothers went to Plands for the banquet where we were honored with the presence of alums Johnny Langer and Clint Evans.

The day following the initiation we celebrated Founders' Day with a buffet dinner at the chapter house. About thirty alumni managed to be there and we were all able to get acquainted with one another. The historical movies were shown with comments from "Doc" Palm and piano entertainment was provided. All the alumni present enjoyed themselves and we are hoping for a much larger turnout next time. Farnham P. Griffiths, Omega '06, has been appointed as a regent of The University of California.

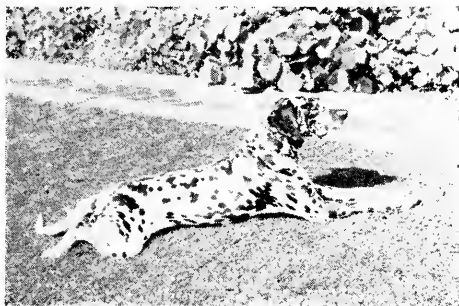
Shortly after the semester started this spring Bill Zimmerman, the field secretary, dropped in for a visit. He has been here off and on ever since. We are wondering if he is planning to stay forever since he gets along so well with our house president.

This spring marks the return of Omega's traditional Forty-niner dance on April seventeenth. The house will be made over into "The Golden Nugget Saloon," Jacques Le Strape, Proprietor. Through the swinging doors one will be able to see the floor show with brothers King and Morgan and pledge Bennett as the O'Hallorhan Trio. Between acts music will be pounded out on the piano, vintage 1849.

"Sasparilla" will be served at the long bar and at the checkered covered tables. Off the main room will be the lush parlour typical of that gaudy period. For those who will want to try their luck there will be a game room operated throughout the night. In the basement will be two more bars with tables and more music and dancing, vintage 1849. Transportation will be via the Wells Fargo-Hangtown Stage.

Everyone seems to be growing beards and in general getting ready for the dance. Among the notables at the dance will be brothers "Avac" Davis and "Diamond Jim." Plans are being made to build a platform in front of the house to make room for all the folk dancing that will be going on. The Forty-niner dance will be the biggest costume dance on the campus this spring.

In the field of sports Omega hasn't done too well. We lost our second base-



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ball game to a powerful Theta-delt team and then went down to TKE. Our horse-shoes have made up for this somewhat however. We have won eight games, all by default. Brothers Joe Atkinson and Jim Feliz are out for crew and Dick Rowe is playing baseball with the JV's. Brother Dave Peterson is out for football spring practice and Brothers Ken Machado and Howard Mackey are managing for football.

On Friday, April second, we had a Fathers' night. About twenty fathers were present. We had a grand time and all the fathers were impressed to such an extent that we are to have some badly needed carpeting for the front hall and stairs.

The gayest blade of the house is, as always, "Leo." The accredited BDOC — voted the finest tailored dog on campus by a margin of 3 to 1 in an all canine vote.



## PHI DEUTERON University of Kentucky

By BOB LINEHAN AND FRANK MATHIAS

Phi Deuteron joined in the spirit of the Diamond Jubilee Anniversary of the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa with a formal dinner-dance held at the Lafayette Hotel in Lexington on March 13. The chapter was indeed honored with the presence of National President, Herbert L. Brown, its special guest for the occasion. More than two hundred lady guests heard President Brown deliver a very inspiring address concerning the past, present and future outlook of our Brotherhood. President Brown also aptly took an active part in the after-dinner entertainment with a piano rendition of his own composition, Hail The Ever-Growing Throng. It certainly was an honor and a pleasure to have the president with us and we are all looking forward to another visit from him in the near future.

During the intermission of the dance, chapter President Chet Hawley presented the Phi Deuteron Moonlight Girl for 1948, Miss Feraldine (Judy) Sheets representing Kappa Delta Sorority. Mrs. Redwood Taylor awarded Judy the trophy symbolic of her honor together with a huge spray of roses. To the astonishment of the ladies present each was presented with a miniature loving cup patterned after Judy's trophy. Apparently every lady in attendance shared Judy's joy and triumph. To complete the ceremony, our octet serenaded her with The Sweetheart Song.

At the dinner our newly chosen officers for the spring quarter were presented. Sharing the applause and congratula-

tions were: Eugene Cecil, president; Walter Patrick, vice-president; Jerry Johnson, secretary; Don Hall, treasurer; J. C. Powell, inductor and Jack Asher, sentinel. Since Brother Patrick did not return to school this quarter, Harold Holtzelow was named to succeed him. Harold also was unanimously elected by the student body to a position on the board of the Student Government Association, so it appears as if he's in for a busy time of it during the next few months.

We fear we must enter a rather pathetic note here. It (ugh) concerns the "Zee Deuterons." Before we tell you the sad story we do want you to know (no) that we still hold "Jolly Roger" and his boys from Knox (as in noxious) ville in high esteem (spelt Tenese stile). Now comes the blow! Did you know (no!) that the first to benefit from the recent W.S.S.F. collections for needly overseas students will be Vanderbilt of Gnashville and not U.T. of K-K-Knoxville. Oh the shame of it all! We "Fee" Deuterons just want you to (sob) know (no) how sad we are that you pore young fellers who so richly deserve "it" . . . don't get "it."

Two new trophies are gracing our mantel since the last report. Our two bowling teams came through in the tournaments to capture a winner and a runner-up award in the two intramural leagues. Responsible for our new showpieces are the followng keglers: Clell De Spain, Bill Ellison, Jack Asher, Bud Lewis, Boyd Jessee, Doug Ross, Bob Moore, Fred Ament, Bob Nikolas, Harold Holtzelow, Sam Asborn, Tom Prather, George Judge, and Joe Evens.

With fair weather favoring us, the ring of baseball bats and the zing of speedy balls has permeated the atmosphere. All the diamond hopefuls under the eye of Bob Nikolas, athletic director, are displaying their talents. From early



reports we hear that a tip-top team will wear the magenta and silver for the coming season. We still are a little weak on the mound, but "Cannonball" Ross and "Smoky" Asborn tell us that there's no need to spend any anxious moments.

The Kentucky River and its wonderful summer camps will soon become a second chapter house for most of us. Bill Ellison and his two assistants, Tommy Montgomery and J. C. Powell, have scheduled numerous parties at these river paradises. Of course, we'll venture indoors at intervals for some other gala functions and with this well rounded program before us, we shall enjoy a very successful social season.

One of the most unique indoor affairs will be a western party in which our house promises to take on a definite frontier atmosphere. All we'll need for a hilarious evening would be the arrival of those "Zee" Deuterons from the plains of Knoxville. If you do come boys, be on the lookout, for the word is around that "Two-Gun" Conley and "Wrangler" De Spain are hot on your trail.

Two of our brothers were recently claimed by the military. Don Rogers entered U. S. Naval training at Pensacola, while Fred Coplin was hurriedly called back into active services from his reserve status. Seems as though Freddie possessed a scarce skill the Army was in dire need of, so he is stationed in Washington. We certainly were sorry to see these two men leave us, even though Brother Rogers, former SIGNET correspondent, almost caused an alienation of affection between us and the "Tennesseons" by inadvertently alleging that gang's headquarters during their "snowball" operations to be in Nashville, whereas everyone knows it to be in Memphis. After all, who else did the author have in mind when he composed the "Memphis Blues"?

The active chapter has rolled out its "Welcome" mat for eight new initiates

who became brothers in early April. Those joining us include: Buchanan Wrench, Ed Rice, Henry White, Bob Grober, Bob Moore, Bill Dale, Bill Prince, and Charles (Ace) Lewis.

We are in high hopes of meeting a great number of our brothers from other



Miss Feraldine (Judy) Sheets, Phi Deuteron Moonlight Girl for 1948 with her escort, Donnie Mack Hall.

chapters at the Kentucky Derby in May. Frank (Tout) Reynolds is studying diligently over his various horse forms and systems from which he hopes to come up with a sure-fire winner. Frank said that he'll divulge his secrets to all Phi Sigs — so here's your chance to get that million, men.

If you can't make it to the Derby, at least we hope to see quite a few of you at the Diamond Jubilee Convention at Boston in August. By the way, *we all have shoes*, so we decided to wear sprigs



Phi Sig convertible on the scene of the victory welcoming. Jamming Bob Nikolas' convertible we find Bob, Bud Lewis, Gene Cecil, Bob Rupard, Jim Hazli, Fred Ament, Bob Grober, and Bill Poe.

of blue grass in our buttonholes for identification purposes. See you there, then.

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### KAPPA

#### Pennsylvania State College

By ELWOOD K. WERTZ

Hearts and flowers department . . . Three of Kappa's good men lost their pins and their hearts since the New Year. Brother Alan Benjamin pinned Miss Sarah O. Duignan of Plattsburg College and Gloversville, New York. Brother Jim Sims pinned Miss Nancy Jean McDougall of Penn State and Butler, Pennsylvania. Brother Tom Jenkins pinned Miss Jacquelyn Mae Wengert of Penn State and Harrisburg.

Diamonds were dispensed with dispatch over the Christmas holidays. Brother Bill Barr became engaged to Miss Mary Jo Colon of Lancaster. Brother Don Hart and Miss Daisy Mae Tomich of Penn State and Slovan, Pennsylvania, announce their engagement.

Gala affairs are being planned for April and May. On April 24th, a Garden Party, jointly sponsored by Epsilon Al-

pha of Alpha Omicron Pi and Kappa, will be the talk of the campus. Coincident with the Senior Ball and Spring Houseparty Week-end, our annual Cabaret dinner-dance will be held on May 22nd. Big hits here at State College are the informal Saturday nite dances that usually become terrific jam sessions with some of State's best instrumentalists participating.

Kappa is steadily making a name for itself in intramurals. The football (touch) stalwarts bruised their way to the "State"-wide semi-finals. Our hoopsters took second place in their league with a 5-1 slate. With volley ball in its mid-season, the house "A" team is undefeated in three starts while the "B's" have won 2 and lost 1. Softball players are as plentiful as ever. We expect to enter the league for the betterment of the sport and the edification of intrepid sluggers of the bulbous horsehide.

Brother Harold Richards was recently elected to Tau Beta Pi; Brother Norton Brennan, to Sigma Pi Sigma. Brothers Alan Dean Benjamin and Robert Drick made the Dean's List. These brothers are currently representing the chapter in the field of scholarship. Meantime, they're getting plenty of competition from the "South Allen Street Book-readin' and Midnite-oil-burnin' Society."

Brothers elected to lead the chapter for the semester were: President, Gerhard Roth; Vice-President, William Hyde; Secretary, Walter Zadan; Treasurer, David Billing; Sentinel, John McBrearty; Inductor, Frank McElroy.

New initiates who were brotherized at the start of the current semester are: Warren Wallace Lord, John Marvin Swigart, Donald Frederick Keck, Thomas Jay Jenkins, David Martin Billing, Frank Norris McElroy Jr., John Bernard Roy, George Bruce Krug, and Elwood Robert Wertz.

Pledged to Phi Sigma Kappa during the semester were: Alfred Benson Chiepp-

por, Joseph Nicholas Jammal, Jack Lee Ricalton, Theodore George Wilhelm.

Kappa sends its wishes for a happy and profitable summer vacation. See you at the Somerset.

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### BETA DEUTERON University of Minnesota

By MY JOHNSON

After a lapse of some time, Beta Deuteron wishes to give an account of its activities to its brother chapters throughout the nation. Primarily, we wish to emphasize the fact that Beta Deuteron is by no means a dormant chapter. On the contrary, Phi Sigma Kappa at Minnesota is a thriving and sharp fraternity.

Socially, the Phi Sigs are noted for their varied calendar of events. Omitting the usual variety of football parties, Halloween parties, weiner roasts, etc., which are common to all houses, I will mention only our Klondike Party, the major event of the fall quarter. Always attended by a large number of alums, the Klondike is a highly entertaining evening. Preparations begin weeks in advance: all "sour-doughs" go shaveless for several weeks in preparation. Phi Sigs are easily identified by their scraggy beards on campus. A wide variety of costumes from the Klondike period add to the high color of the affair. A gambling den was set up, (we defy any California boys to "beat" our tables) a bar (of course) was in full operation, and a fine orchestra completed our course of operations. The highlight of the evening was a skit by the "Phi Sigerettes" depicting the "Secret Life of Walter Mitty." Needless to say, it was a tremendous success. The genius of Brother Claire Gudim in the role of the hero, with the hilarious assistance of Brother Arnie Slettin as his wife, was a treat seldom enjoyed by theatre lovers. This skit, plus the usual merriment abounding when the Phi Sigs have a party, made

the Klondike a never-to-be-forgotten event.

Winter quarter social events were stymied by the ferocious winter we endured. Transportation was limited to dogsleds. Nevertheless, the Interfraternity Ball was well attended by Phi Sigs, as were the ski-trains, Snow Ball and other University functions.

With the advent of spring, our social life once again is full of promise. First



Mr. and Mrs. Burton Lindahl at the Klondike Party.

in line this spring is our annual Blue Formal, to be held May 7 at the Interlachen Club. This dance promises to be a great success. Enthusiasm is at a high pitch. As usual, the blue theme will dominate. The highlight of the evening will be the choosing of our "Moonlight Girl" for 1948.

Succeeding the Blue Party, on May 28 our annual "Phi Sig Phertilizer Phrolic" will take place. The theme of this party is the exact opposite of our highly formal Blue Party; dress will be coveralls, straw hats, etc. (These versatile Phi

Sigs!!) To add "aroma" to the goings on, several pigs, chickens and sheep will be imported. The majestic floors of our fraternal halls will be bedecked in straw and the other paraphernalia to be found in an agrarian locality. Anxiously we await the advent of our "Phrolic" (as it is affectionately termed by the brothers.)

In intramural sports, the Phi Sigs have been besieged by ill-fortune. Despite the tremendous competition offered in a school of this size, Phi Sig teams have been leading contenders for all trophies offered in the various sports. Defeated in the semi-finals in football, and the finals in basketball last year, we retired only the tennis trophy. This year we had high hopes in every sport, only to meet dame fortune on the wrong side. Eliminated in the bracket finals in football, we pinned our hopes on our hockey team. Here too, we were eliminated in the third overtime of the bracket finals. Next was our swimming team, with little

better luck. After advancing into the semi-finals we were forced to forfeit due to several illnesses on the team. Two teams were entered in the basketball tournament, both meeting defeat in hotly contested games. In volleyball, after breezing through early competition, an off night came up in the final game and we again lost our trophy. Resolutely we face the spring quarter competition in baseball, softball, horseshoe, golf and tennis. Our hopes are still high and we are confident of bagging a few cups this quarter (if not all).

Personalities abound at Beta Deuteron. Phi Sigs can be found in all campus activities. Familiar to our brothers in the Big Nine is Brother Harry Elliot. Harry contributed to the backfield power of the "Golden Gophers." We are especially indebted to him for assisting in the humbling of a mighty Purdue eleven, thus enriching us with a school blanket from our chapter at that school, Delta Triton. On the baseball diamond, Min-



Tea Dance

nesota is pinning its title hopes on two Phi Sigs, Catcher Harry Elliot and First baseman, Leo Shields. Harry's batting average of .428 is topped only by Leo's .463. A special fence is being built for Leo at Northrop Field, the name for



PHERTILIZER PHROLIC

Left to right: Jack Flynn, Arne Sletten, and Don Voycs.

cut-off the distance being publicized as "Shields' Pasture." Not only an athlete, Brother Shields will graduate in June with a Bachelors Degree "summa cum laude." The chapter will miss Brother Shields a great deal upon his graduation.

Speaking of graduation, Phi Sigma Kappa is saddened indeed at the prospect of losing several of its brothers in June. Graduating will be Brothers Tom Olson, Walt Sanborn, Bob Welsh, Palmer Long, My Johnson, Bob Clements, Bob Kuhn, Bob Schweitzer, Lée Thoroux, Jack Shay, Stan Sorenson, Ben LaPlante, and already mentioned Leo Shields. Although their loss will deplete our ranks, we wish them the best of success in their new lives.

This past year has been a memorable one for all of us. Memories that will linger till the day we die . . . the evening rush to the "port" windows when the girls across the way forget (?) to pull their shades . . . the sleepy look on Willie Gjos-

tol's face the morning after a "spree" . . . Don Voves at the top of the stairs with a bucket of water waiting for unsuspecting Bob Shaw . . . "Horizontal" Thompson stretched across the most comfortable couch in the living room . . . Harry Elliot banging "Your Red Wagon" on the piano . . . the sadistic grin on "Knuck" Kuhn's face as he hands out house bills . . . Bob Welsh wiping a speck of dust off his 1947 Studebaker convertible . . . Jim O'Ryan enlightening the boys as to the latest technical advances, such as clocking the speed of a duck-hawk between Chicago and Minneapolis . . . Ray Kull and his binoculars taking in the fair sex on the tennis courts . . . "Grim-face" George Hage wincing at mention of his advanced age . . . Memories never to be forgotten, of college days and Phi Sigma Kappa.

We at Beta Deuteron wish to extend a



special invitation to all brothers who might be traveling this way to stop in on us and receive our sincerest hospitality. We have a beautiful chapter house and a fine group of brothers who are anxious to show all Phi Sigs a good time here at the University of Minnesota. See you in Boston.

## OMEGA DEUTERON

University of Southern California

By MYRON JONES

This issue's write up may sound somewhat "old hat" because it comprises the semester's events in review; as of writing . . .

### *Officers*

Vincent "Tubby" Porter, football star of long repute, was voted president of Omega Deuteron for the spring semester. Dick Larzelere is new house-mouse, having taken over the big job of treasurer. Bill Oliver was elected secretary, and Pete Zama became vice-president and social chairman.

### *Ye Olde Helle Weekē*

Traditionally referred to as "Hell Week", but more correctly called "Work Week" here at S. C. where hell has long been outlawed, *it* was held by the actives during the first week of the new semester. In the process, the walls and ceiling of the house living room were painted green, neatly dressing-up the l. r. with a new face. Little was left unfinished around the house, with the prospective actives kept active, so to say, and with everyone having a bang-up time.

### *Sorority Presents*

All roads led to 28th Street on the Friday eve of February 20th, when wolves, actives, hot dogs, and pledges roved the row. Even casual observers like "Sage" Brice turned out to trudge from sorority house to house, and view the personnel-building results of the various sororities. The girls wore their white formals, and almost every house featured cake or cookies and punch. The full threat of all this fol-der-rol is probably no worse than usual, in spite of Leap Year.

### *Junior Actives*

Sunday, February 22, at the *Los Angeles Athletic Club*, pledges of last se-

mester were formally initiated into the active group. The "Junior Active" group is now staffed by: Jim Charters, Bill O'Connor, Jim McCurry, Harold Viault, Jr., Bill Jackson, Bill Burget, Fred Daly, Bob O'Hara, Gene Minshew, Cal Reed, Bob Allison, Ray Adams, Jim Hodges, Harry Hine, Harry Wirtz, and Bill Lawrence.

"Bunny" Viault's dad, an old Phi Sig from Omega Chapter at Cal, treated the new actives to drinks — those who drink.

### *Rushing*

Spearheaded by Rush Chairman, Herb Sauerman and assisted by Gene Berger, pledges now total twenty-two at Omega Deuteron. It's another long list, but for the record: Peter Arendrup, Don Boelter, Charles Bole, Bill Busby, Ronnie Byle, Jim Deger, Dave Doolittle, Ed Dunn, Steve Elmore, Bob Hager, Jerry Lamb, Larry Littrell, Ray Lull, Ed Madrugá, Bill McCowan, Hal McDaniel, Nick Nickolas, Bob Ornberg, Chuck Rankin, Al Sheckter, Howard Tokley, and Ed Winkenhower. Twenty-two — count 'em if you want. We think they're all a good bunch of guys.

### *Romance*

In the spring, say the wise ones, a young man's fancy turns to what he's been thinking about all winter. And it must be true. Dick Thomas announced his pinning New Year's Eve to Miss Chadyenne Du Frene; then on February 14th — Valentine Day — he announced his engagement. The same girl. Bob O'Connor pinned his queen, Betty Lou Miller, an S. C. Chi Omega. Jim Royer also passed cigars for his Alpha Phi sweetheart of the Ucla campus, Charlene Friese. Another Alpha Phi, Phyllis Ruffcorn, but of the S.C.'s campus, now wears Dick Larzelere's pin.

On February 18th, Ed Partridge was married to Miss Dorothy Haymond (see Chapter Hymeneal).

Then on Monday night of March 29th,

our senator, Dick Ford, proved himself unsatisfied with a mere pinning. "Reecardo" came forth with the announcement of his engagement to Miss Dixie Roberts, another Ucla girl, an Alpha Gam.

But the completely unsuspected — in the earth-shaking category — was the announcement that Miss Mimi Peterman of L.A.C.C. was wearing Dave Comstock's pin. The brothers rooted; the impossible had happened.

On April 5th came another cigar, when announcement was made of Max Dial's marriage to Kay Youngquist, an S.C. girl. Altogether, it added up to a pretty fine semester for cigar smokers.

### *The Brothers*

Les Vlahos, better known as "The Greek," took over the president's gavel of Ball & Chain, honorary sports managerial fraternity. Jim McCurry holds the position of vice-president. New initiates of the group are Brothers Jim Hodges, Myron Jones, and Cal Reed.

Jim Royer, International Relations major, was elected president of S.C.'s chapter of Delta Phi Epsilon, national foreign service fraternity. Later, on Sunday, April 4th at the Theta Chi house, Dave Comstock, Bill Fraser, and Glenn Lundell were initiated into the fraternity.

Brother Sterling Madding left us suddenly early in the semester, turning his job of Scholarship Chairman over to Jim Brice. We all hope Sterl will soon find his way back to 28th Street. As scholarship chairman, Brice is cracking the whip, and it is probably a good thing.

Larry Dunwoody dropped everything, courses included, and took off suddenly for a tour. We expect to see him back in the same dramatic manner he left. Larry — come home; or drop us a line.

The filming of Babe Ruth's baseball career resulted in movie extra jobs for those who would cut classes for two days, and were around when the call

came in. One old gal insisted on telling Dave Comstock about her twenty-nine years in pictures, but Dave was not impressed. He'll probably tell you about it if you ask, and with dialect.

We were sorry to have Pete Gega leave the chapter, early in the semester.

### *Sports*

With the arrival of fair weather and green grass on the links, our golfers grabbed their clubs, and shoved off to improve their games. While all the lemon growers were praying for rain, K. C. Allen, Rossetto, "Dum-dum" Fraser, and some of the other golfers, spent sunny days on the course, and growled viciously at rainy ones.

The ping pong table on the front porch is taking a beating, but fan-tan still claims the largest number of fans.

The seventh running of the annual Phi Sig sponsored Pledge Relay race, was held on the afternoon of Monday, April 5th, on 28th Street. With police permission, Phi Sig cars were used to block off the street. Shortly after the street was effectively blocked, a car load of A.D.Pi pledges roared down the street, off on a "ditch." Or so they thought, unless it was a planned publicity stunt. A battle ensued between the girls — the actives and the pledges available. It was a good show. I even saw one "New Look" tackle another, or almost anyway. About this time sirens screamed, and fire trucks screeched to a halt at the blocked entrance to the row. Bob Thompson hastily backed his car up the curb, and the fire trucks proceeded down the street. Of course, it turned out to be a false alarm. By this time the relay race was turning into a three ring circus, and race manager Bill Brown was beginning to wring his hands. When, amid the shouts of thronging spectators, the race finally got under way, Sigma Chi came out the winner. To the credit of our own participating pledges, Ed Winkenhower, Al

Sheckter, Bill McCowan, and Pete Arentrup, the Phi Sigs won their own heat.

For the relay race, credit goes to Bill Brown for a well-organized event and good publicity, and to Niles Cunningham for tending his public address system.

### *Social*

Through the efforts of Pete Zama, numerous luncheons, desserts, and buffets decorated the social calendar.

However, a Wednesday luncheon with Triple-Delta was hurriedly diverted on March 31st, when water seepage from upstairs caused bits of dry green paint to drop from the ceiling, and spot the living room carpet.

At writing date, another all day

"goodie" appeared on the menu for May 8th—the Moonlight Formal, to be held at The Hollywood Riviera Club. Planned similar to last year's successful dance, a repeat performance by unanimous demand, the schedule includes sunbathing and Pacificbathing on the beach, pool swimming and diving, and other sports, during the day, followed by a formal dinner in the evening—and the piece d'occasion, our Moonlight Dance. How can it miss?

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**ETA DEUTERON**  
**University of Nevada**

By GEORGE G. LINDESMITH

When the political set-up at the University of Nevada is viewed, it is seen



ACTIVE MEMBERS OF ETA DEUTERON

Back Row—Robert Calvert, Bruce Larsen, Joseph Dini, George Lindesmith, William Ebert, Sam Savini, Charles Burk, John Harmon, Ugo Giorgi, Matt Klimaszewski. Middle Row—Bill Gillis, Bill Horton, Gordon Frehner, Bob Campbell, Bob Uhlig, Jim Werle. Front Row—Curt Baker, Bud Gianelli, Don Reid, George Griffith, Milo Price.



that Phi Sigma Kappa men hold several of the school's most important positions.

Bob Uhlig, a senior at Eta Deuteron, is co-chairman of the Mackay Day Committee. At the U. of N., Mackay Day is perhaps the biggest event of the year. Bob is also secretary of the Coffin and Keys, a secret honor society on the campus.

Milo Price, a junior and Eta Deuteron's house manager, was chairman of the Homecoming Parade Committee and is also Assembly Chairman on the Mackay Day Committee.

Bill Ebert, president of Eta Deuteron, is president of the Coffin and Keys. Bill is also very active in other student af-

fairs, being a member of several Senate Committees.

Ed Drennon, who recently was known as the "best pledge in twenty years," is showing his executive abilities as commander of the newly organized American Legion Post on the campus. Ed, by the way, is now an active member of Eta Deuteron.

Jim Wehrle, a recently initiated member of Eta Deuteron, is in charge of the Nevada Golden Gloves boxing tournament which is being held at the University.

Bill Gillis, junior and past vice-president of Eta Deuteron, can make the statement that he holds more important



#### PLEDGES OF ETA DEUTERON

Back Row—LaMar Harris, Bob Walker, Jack Campbell, Howard Eckley, Jack Shevlin, Jerry Marx, Darrell Nall, Wayne Ashley, Dave Shoemaker. Middle Row—Tom Barton, Rick Larson, Bruno Benna, Ted Klimaszewski, Bill Kabeary, Jack Fikes. Front Row—Jim Harker, Skip Wigg, Basil Quilici, Tony Miller, Joe Facha, Dave Crabb. An initiation has been held since this picture was taken; therefore several of the men pictured are now active members.

campus positions than anyone in the university. Bill is president of the Junior Class, president of the Block N, and president of the Interfraternity Council. Aside from his scholastic and leadership abilities it is interesting to note that Bill modestly refused to allow the submittal of his name for the All-Phi Sig Basketball Team even though he has made his letter at the U. of N. and this year piloted a local team to the semi-finals of the city tournament acting as player manager. At the present time Bill is representing the University on the track team. Bill also lettered on the University baseball team as a pitcher. Off of the hill, Bill serves on the staff of the Nevada Labor News and is employed by the United Press.

When you consider the fact that there are only nine brothers in Eta Deuteron who have junior or senior standing and of the nine, six hold important positions — it is a pretty good showing.

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### NU DEUTERON Stanford University

By GORDON LEVY

They are calling for a second term here these days, not for President Truman, but for Athletic Director Ray Pascoe, whose "revitalized sports program" has brought the Phi Sig house abundant intramural laurels within the past few months.

Latest of the house teams to hit the winners' circle was the Phi Sig basketball crew, which went through its five game mural schedule undefeated. Star of the relentless five, coached from the sidelines by Jackson Meredith, was Dick Moore, the personable gift from Massachusetts, who averaged more than 15 points per game.

Besides Moore and Pascoe, the latter captaining the squad, Moe (Arms) Moser stood out as a sharpshooting pivotman. Paul Theobald, the blond titan

from Oakland, was lost midway in the season with a broken collarbone.

Nu Deuteron's bowling team, although no league champion, offered stiff competition on the alleys throughout the winter quarter, and polished off the first place team in its last match. Doug (Call My Shot) Crawford, Dick Moore, Alex (The Bear) Chapple and Novice Jimmy Phillips were steady keggers.

Now, with baseball and track season coming up, the Phi Sigs are ready to pour on the heat. We are counting on Sam Chaney, a former pro with the Stanford history department, to chuck us to victory on the diamond.

Our gradepoint average is slowly rising. Last fall it was just a shade under B-, and we are sure it improved during the winter, but no one has yet bothered to average them out. That's because all of us are on the Econ Gravy Train, Donner Pass and points East, and don't have the knowledge of mathematics required for figuring grade averages.

Right now, we are pestering Ev Young, the mad man with a drafting pencil, to get hot on the proposed house expansion project, slated to go into operation this summer. Our little hovel is jam-packed to the attic, and we need more room.

New Phi Sig pledges living with us are Norm Miller, Eddie Leon, Floyd West, Charlie Gutentag, and Bob Bernstein. We are counting on Miller for lots of campus publicity, he being a photo man with the *Stanford Quad*, the Farm's annual.

Under the direction of Jack (My Name's Bing) Goree, we are going to don boots and cowboy hats to sing a western lullaby in the Spring Sing. We do not deny our intentions to win first place. All we have to do is to persuade the judges.

Down at the gym, Jack Meredith, our president, is instructing basketball classes, he being a pupil of Coach Everett Dean. Those who know, say he is one of the

most progressive coaches and soundest teachers in the business.

When June rolls around, several of the old crew will graduate into the cold, cold world. We will lose Dave Rust, the throttle pusher from Hayward; Bill Campbell, Johns Hopkins bound; Bill (Studies) Moser, Bruce Merrill, off for Cornell Med School; Ev Young, J. C. (Pick and Shovel) Thompson, a future geologist; Rod (Weeds) Browning, who gave up smoking; Stel Andrew, the dieting ex-merchant mariner, and Bill (The Bulldog) Larson, our ace pole vaulter.

This year we have a nemesis for one legged athletes. First, Dwight Morrow turned up from a skiing trip with a fractured leg, and now John Del Favero, carying a king-sized cast, is boasting about his knee operation. When he recovers, Del wants to run, of all things, the two mile.

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### LAMBDA TRITON Rhode Island State College

By CHARLES McCORMACK AND  
DAVID J. MANNING, JR.

The first annual dinner dance of the Lambda Triton Chapter was held at the Metacomet Country Club in East Providence, Rhode Island on the evening of March 27. The affair was a gala one and dancing continued until one in the morning. The highlight of the evening came when four pledges were given their badges of brotherhood. Though only four badges were given out, we felt that we were getting quality rather than quantity. The following pledges are now brothers:

Elmer J. Hrubes, who originally came from Chicago, Illinois. During the war he served with the Navy Air Corps. He is an excellent student, and has received honors. Brother Hrubes will be graduating this June from the School of Engineering.



CAMPAIGNING FOR "BIG BEN."

John S. Ruggiero, comes from Bristol, Rhode Island. He served in the Adjutant General's Department of the Army. During his first years of college he was a member of the track team running the 440. Brother Ruggiero will also be graduating this June from the School of Engineering.

Saul B. Saila, comes from Hope Valley, Rhode Island. During the war he served in the U. S. Infantry. Saul is another student who has received honors. He will be graduating in February of 1949 from the School of Agriculture.

Claude A. Thulier, comes from Newport, Rhode Island. Brother Thulier is engaged in many campus activities, being news analyst for the college radio; president of the rifle club; and, co-captain of the rifle team. Claude is a member of the class of 1950, and plans on walking off with his degree in Engineering when his big day arrives.

Brother Stransky acted as toastmaster and introduced the speaker of the evening, Dr. Robert Bell, our house adviser. Dr. Bell congratulated the chapter for its performance during the past year and wished us success in the coming years. After Brother Bell's speech the dinner was adjourned and music and dancing was the order for the rest of the evening.

One of the highlights of our campus is an annual mayoralty campaign for the Mayor of Kingston. The post is strictly an honorary one and allows the holder to fulfill all goldbricking jobs such as: house-father for the girl's dormitories; keeper of the gates and the like.

This year Brother Benvenuti ran and represented PHI SIGMA KAPPA. Under the title of "Big Ben" and crying "Let your watchword be Big Ben" we campaigned for three days and nights. The girl's housing units were serenaded



Brother Saila proudly displaying his prize catch.

and shows were put on at the college cafeteria and student union. On voting day, we managed to spray the campus with leaflets dropped from a plane. All in all, it was a good campaign and was enjoyed by all. Perhaps the only sad part of the entire campaign occurred when the final votes were counted and "Big Ben" found himself a few votes short of winning. However, win, lose, or draw, it is brothers like "Big Ben" that are helping us to become popular on the campus and to him we say thanks.

Outside of classes our interests are many and varied. One of them is fishing and fishing stories. Recently Brother

Saila came up with such a story and with a picture of the big one that didn't get away. Here is his story which he calls a "Fishing Saga."

"The typical striped bass fisherman is a pervert who, during the bass season, loses hundreds of hours of sleep, makes a fish widow of his wife, if he's married, and loses all interest in his studies if he is in school. Such is my case in the fall, and I'm not alone in my attempts to capture the denizens of the deep.

"A forlorn mile of beach, known as Charlestown Beachway is located near my home. Here the faithful are found pitching their lines into the deep at all ungodly hours of the day or night with only seagulls and sandpipers for company.

"One October morning at about two o'clock a.m., I almost began to believe that it was time to go home. I had spent hours of fruitless casting, my back ached, and my arms were tired. In fact, I even began to believe the rumor that bass fishermen were crazy. Maybe I was too tired to leave, maybe I anticipated something—anyway I stayed a bit longer.

"It wasn't long afterwards when I felt a tremendous strike, and I knew immediately that I had hooked a large fish. Was it a shark? Would it get away? Was the line strong enough? and other thoughts ran through my mind as I pumped and pulled.

"To make a long story short, my strength and my line were sufficient to bring in the fish after thirty minutes of action. It looked big then, but it looks even bigger now hanging in our living room. I have 47.7 pounds of stripes to prove that all fishermen aren't liars, and that none of them are crazier than foxes. I'll see you at the beach next season."

This year two of our brothers were honored by being picked to PHI KAPPA PHI Honor Society. We feel that

since two of our nine students picked were PHI SIGS, we should be proud of our brothers. Brothers Ferdinand M. Comolli also received the American Institute of Chemical Engineers Award for scholastic achievement. Brothers Comolli and Hrubes have been selected to be charter members of SIGMA MU, honorary engineering society, which is now being formed on this campus.

Another honor of the year went to Brother Nicholas Lombardi who was co-captain of the football team during the 1947 season. Brother Lombardi played End, and has played during his four years of college. He came from West Warwick, Rhode Island where he played for West Warwick High School.

The following brothers have been elected to serve as house officials for the school year of September 1948 to June 1949: President, John Brady; Vice-President, Charles McCormack; Secretary, David J. Maning, Jr.; Treasurer, Francis Perry; Sentinel, Joseph Keegan; Inductor, Michael Natale; House Manager, Walter Carleen; Rushing Chairman, James R. Cardin.

In conclusion, we wish to extend our thanks to our outgoing officers for the excellent job they have done.

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## IOTA

### Stevens Institute of Technology

Iota started the past season with their annual formal. Although all anticipated the affair to be another routine formal, it turned out to be the most successful and best attended in the annals of Stevens Interfraternity history. As is the custom on the Stevens campus, whenever a fraternity holds its formal, all of the other houses are invited to attend. We held the dance at Frank Dailey's world renowned mecca of name bands, The Meadowbrook in Cedar Grove, New Jersey. Doing justice to these adjectives for the Meadowbrook, Art Mooney and his Four-Leaf

Clover Orchestra gave forth on the bandstand. The floorshow presented during the evening proved very entertaining but not quite as much as the one put on by Brothers Marty Fabber and Leo Chase in their dancing interpretation of "Looking Over a Four-Leaf Clover" ably assisted by Mooney's Trio, the Dolly Sisters.

The dance was preceded with a formal dinner at the house attended by almost the entire undergraduate membership of Iota. Special buses were hired for transportation between the house and the Meadowbrook, and the trip back to the house will long be remembered by us all. Some of the boys made a weekend by having their women stay at the house until the early part of the following week. Even though well chaperoned, all in this class will swear that this was about the best weekend that they ever hope to have.

Everyone is now looking forward to the big Spring Sports Weekend which in past years has always proven the highlight of the social season. The weekend will commence with the annual Interfraternity Ball which this year will feature the mellow-tones of Tony Pastor and his orchestra. Of course, our dates will again take over the entire house with most of us fighting for the few empty beds in the near-by dorms. Then on Saturday morning, classes will be of the special variety featuring those "perfect" lectures and demonstrations for the sake of our dates. The varsity baseball, lacrosse, and tennis teams will engage their respective rivals throughout the afternoon. In the evening there is the Dramatic Society presentation of "High Tor" which is now being highly publicized as the most outstanding production put on at Stevens in many years. After the play there is that famous "Iota Once-a-year Party." If it is anything like those other ones have been, it will be one of those "never forgotten" affairs. Then on Sun-

day a beach party is planned at the homes of one of our recent alumni at the Jersey shore.

The most successful pledgship period in Iota history was brought to a close with the addition of seventeen new pledges. Upperclassmen pledged were John Shaw, who reorganized the Stevens Varsity Track Squad, Ray Durante, who although only a sophomore has already won four varsity letters, Walt Connolly, Lou Claveloux, Dick Seaman, Cliff Strimple, and Bill Schuppner. The ten new freshmen pledges are Jay Brunnings, John Bryan, Ara Dourgarian, Bill Downey, Ray Erickson, George Forrester, Malcolm Fraser, Ray Moessner, Fred Norton, and Jim O'Hara. By the way, Fred Norton's father was with Iota and graduated in '21, and Bill Downey who seems sure to play Varsity shortstop this season, has had two brothers in Iota before him. Just prior to the rushing period Bob Bryant, '49, and Hank Mokrzycki, '50, were initiated into brotherhood.

No one knows where it started, but it has started. What? What, you ask. First the living room leather walls were ripped down and then the plaster in the dining room was removed. The old wiring circuits were removed and new circuits were installed. The ceilings were scraped and then completely refinished. Knotty-pine panelling was used to re-decorate the living room and Leo Chase's masterpiece, our gigantic new bar. The rest of the first floor was wall papered and redecorated. Novel lighting effects are being achieved with the use of different colored fluorescent lights. With financial assistance from the mothers' club and the inherent know-how(?) of we future engineers, the entire undertaking was completed without any outside aid.

With all the eagerness that has been shown in this effort, brighter days are certainly ahead for Iota.

## DELTA DEUTERON

University of Michigan

By DICK RAPPLEY

When the study grind begins to wear, it's nice to have the good times of parties and such to look back on. But after college, it's probably more meaningful to recall serious achievements.

Two of the men here at Delta Deuteron can be especially proud of recognition that will be lasting. They are James Burton and Richard Gross, scholarship award winners whose accomplishments will be perpetuated with a beautiful new trophy.

They are the first to be honored under an alumni scholarship award plan disclosed at the Founders' Day Banquet, March 13 in Detroit. The alums presented an impressive trophy to remain permanently in the chapter house and also gave individual cups to Jim and Dick.

Hereafter, two awards will be made each year at the annual spring gathering — one for scholastic excellence to the outstanding senior student and the other for the greatest improvement shown. Jim earned the former with a 3.75 average (just short of all-A) and Dick improved a remarkable 1.2 points. This pair and succeeding winners will have their names inscribed on the trophy.

Brother Lloyd C. Nyman, class of '34, made the presentations at the banquet. The alums were lauded in this new project by the university's dean of students and also by D. R. Collins, Region IV director, who was principal speaker at Delta Deuteron's Founders' Day celebration.

But this wasn't the chapter's only association with "Spec" Collins or Brother Nyman. The latter came out to Ann Arbor from Detroit to speak at the campus IFC pledge class banquet the following week. Brother Nyman was an overnight guest here prior to the Detroit banquet.

Brother Collins' visit was heartening to all of us here. And the chapter was proud of some fine compliments he paid. Especially gratifying was his praise of the house redecoration (completed at last after many an hour of labor — all by the men here).

To get on with the report on Michigan's Phi Sigs, back to J. B. — that's Jim Burton. He's figured in a number of matters, among other things being our new president. He moved up from the vice-presidency at the last election.

Other officers chosen at that time included: Jack Court, vice-president; Dick Rappley, secretary; William Diefenbach, treasurer; Rex Curtis, sentinel; and Hugh Allerton, inductor. All were newcomers to their jobs except Dief, who also reigns as house manager.

Another addition to Jim Burton's scholastic laurels was his pledging of Phi Kappa Phi. He and Lee Stewart, both engineers, added this honorary society to the Tau Beta Pi status they earned last semester.

And while the matter of honors for engineers is up for attention (Jim, Lee, and Dick Gross are all engine school students), there's Lex Herrin too. Lex holds an editorial post on *The Michigan Technician*, engineering magazine, and was chairman for the engine school's annual all-campus dance, Slide Rule Ball. This formal helped perk up April's social doings.

Socially speaking, it's a big spring — but we'll reserve that a bit. First, the matter of initiation and pledging, top-priority events in March. When 21 new actives were initiated, the chapter role was swelled to 57 with an additional 11 pledges, four of these products of spring rushing.

Here's the long list of our new brothers: Bryce Bennett, Warren Bunyan, Lawrence (Larry) Gabriel, Robert Green, Joseph Gyourko, Jr., William Harrison, Cecil (Bo) Hinman, Jr., William Jones,

Dean Luse, George Milroy, Theron (Terry) Mock, John Montrose, Joseph Nymik, Ottomar (Ott) Roth, Melvin Sartin, Donald Schroeder, Bradford Stone, George Vosper, Frederic Webber, William Wells, and Frederick Willis. All



#### OUTSTANDING SCHOLARS

Relaxing in Delta Deuteron's trophy room are Jim Burton, left, and Dick Gross, winners of alumni scholarship awards presented at Founders' Day. The large trophy in the case behind was presented to the chapter as the alumni inaugurated a permanent plan for scholastic recognition.

but eight call Michigan their home state.

This group weathered a hectic and often hilarious week of informal initiation before coming into the fold. "Goat court" provided the last fun before formal proceedings began.

Rushing, carried on in a limited way, added Leonard Dietz, Robert Eidson, William McClintic, and Thomas Roby to the list of prospective initiates. It was Delta Deuteron's smallest pledge class since reactivation.

But that didn't eliminate the Pledge Formal, a mid-April event on the social calendar. It was the first big party of

the semester, though there were record dances and exchange dinners for the pre-vacation period.

After the spring interim, the social pace quickened (to put it mildly). Following the Pledge Formal, the house participated in Michigras, annual grandiose carnival. Phi Sig's part in the all-campus show was a mock election that furnished a pseudo-straw vote on the presidential race. Adding to the week-end a float was entered in the pre-carnival parade and a pick-up band helped in the publicity angle.

Publicity also provided broadcasting material for WQMH, amateur radio station in the West Quadrangle men's residence hall. The station's operator is Brad Stone. Brad, only a freshman, never had any problem of idle time since, in addition to his radio interests, he wrestled on the university freshman team, winning numerals in the 126-pound class.

May starts off with a big week-end. IFC Ball will entice many of the men and there is also open house for Mothers' Day and for alum guests. The climax of the social season will be May 15, with the annual Bowery Ball. The second edition of this traditional brawl (or did we misspeak?) will be made more weird by huge caricatures of all the members as part of the decoration scheme and by the presence of real bowery atmosphere furnished by a collection of Detroit musicians calling themselves the Old German Brass Band.

Bowery doings are under the particular charge of Tom Crossman. Brother Crossman, along with Brothers Stewart, Gus Butterbach, and Roy Brogren, make up the social committee.

And that about covers the major items, except in the way of sports. Tennis and softball were expected to provide the house with its most potent contribution to intramural sports. Pledge Don Duddle captained the netters and Bill McAninch headed the softball crew. Chief

cog in the track team, under Howie Face's charge, was Miler Max Iverson.

The rest is of a miscellaneous order. Such as Jack Montrose's bid for Student Legislature, Brother Butterbach's participation in some one-act plays, and the building of a photo lab setup by a couple of photography phans (or is it fotography fans?) — Brothers Harrison and Art Miller. And we can't forget a harried week or two with three cocker spaniels — Colonel (a permanent fixture), Lana, and Rusty — providing confusion around the house.

Nor should we slight our ventures into the musical realm. A large number participated in IFC sing competition, doing that barroom classic, "Frankie and Johnny," with Don Hostetler directing. There was a little extra vocal exercise when some of the troops sallied forth one evening to serenade Lyn Banwell, Alpha Gamma Delta girl pinned to Brother Alerton.

And so, c'est tout, finis, (30), or what you will. Hoping for a chance for more personal chatting with some of you at convention time in August, Delta Deuteron rings down the curtain on a successful year.

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### ZETA TRITON

Montana State College

By DONALD J. HARRIS

Zeta Triton is back at the books once more after resting up from the winter quarter. The Phi Sigs had an unusually eventful quarter highlighted by a successful winter party and founders' day banquet. The double event was held as a dinner dance in the main dining room of the Hotel Bozeman. The guest of honor was Phi Sigma Kappa commissioner Tom Spaulding of Mu Deuteron. Officers of the Missoula chapter came to Bozeman for the celebration with Brother Spaulding and were guests of Zeta Triton over the week-end.

The pledges really went to work to



make the Valentine's Day fireside a dance to be remembered.

The Phi Sig intramural bowling team has gone into the finals and has well founded hopes of winning the trophy for the third time. Bowling has been held each Saturday at 1 o'clock since last November and strangely enough that day and hour happen to coincide exactly with our weekly cleaning schedule. No wonder everyone envies the position of our bowling team members.

Zeta Triton gained the following men as pledges during the winter quarter; Richard Zugliana, Chuck Hardy, Don Bauer, and Mike Zimmeman.

Phi Sigs are active in almost every phase of extra-curricular activity at Montana State this year. Ben Lawrenson was elected to Les Bouffons, M.S.C. social organization. Jim Milne is president of the Inter-Church Council for the 1947-48 school year. John Webster, who represented M.S.C. at the Western States Speech Conference, was elected treasurer of Pi Kappa Delta forensic organization, and president of the International Relations Club.

Election of officers was held March 8, with the following brothers being chosen to head the chapter during the spring quarter; Paul Rhodes, President; C. J. Henske, Vice-President; Chuck Adkinson, Secretary; Dan Harris, Treasurer; Merle Kovatch, Sentinel; and Walt Narkevic, Inductor.

Jim Milne has pinned Carla Keith, Missoula, Montana. Jack Howard passed out cigars honoring the newest addition to his family (see Babygram Section).

This spring Zeta Triton will lose some of its most valuable men through graduation. Ross Peace, Jim Milne, Harold Johnson, Edward Palmerlee, and Loran Lefevre are all graduating seniors. Ross Peace will be especially missed when school starts next fall. Ross has headed the chapter as president and also served as house manager. Zeta Triton owes

him a debt of gratitude for his untiring efforts in reorganizing the chapter after the war and his invaluable aid in promoting chapter activities.

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### CHI DEUTERON Washington State College

By DALE MARTIN, DAVE McKEEN  
AND DAVE NILES

Only six more weeks of school!! What a relief it will be to have a rest. Hey, wait a minute. The next six weeks are going to be the longest. We suddenly realize that we have a lot of work to do before we can get credit for our courses, so before we get too engrossed in our subjects we had better bring all you other chapters up to date on our activities here at Washington State.

#### *Founders' Day Dinner-Dance*

Tuxes flourished and formals swirled at the banquet hall of the WSC Commons as the annual Founders' Day Dinner-Dance once again became the highlight of the social calendar at the State College of Washington. In keeping with the 75th anniversary of the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa, the decorative design assumed its proper role as back-drops of red and white streamers blended in simple conformity with the huge diamond-shaped matting of white crepe across the ceiling.

A reception line, which warmly greeted the couples as they passed on the main floor, boasted the presence of the evening's distinguished guests, Brother William Wood, Chancellor of the Court of Honor; and Brother Bruce Bean, Regional Direction of Region VI. Among other honored guests were: U. G. Whiffen, chapter adviser, and wife; Dean Herbert Kimbrough, member of Chi Deuteron's board of trustees, and wife; Mrs. O. E. Barbee, housemother; and Miss Donna Jacobsen, candidate for Moonlight Girl.

After a very adequate five course dinner which more than satisfied the sixty-



Miss Donna Jacobsen, Chi Deuteron Moonlight Girl Candidate (14) is presented with a Phi Sig Sweetheart Pin and a bouquet of Red Carnations, official flower of Phi Sigma Kappa, by Regional Director Bruce C. Bean and Chancellor of the Court of Honor, William F. Wood (extreme left), as Chi Deuteron President, Dale Martin (left) looks on.

five couples attending, the diners relaxed to enjoy a brief but adequate program which included vocal numbers by Clyde Morrell and the house quartet. Highlight of the program was the presentation of a Phi Sig Sweetheart Pin and a bouquet of red carnations by Brothers Bean and Wood to Miss Jacobsen.

There was still plenty of time remaining for dancing, and with one of the top campus orchestras beating out the rhythm, the remainder of the evening was quickly waltzed away. As the couples filed from the hall, the satisfied looks on their faces and the many compliments indicated that this year's event had succeeded in maintaining if not surpassing the high standard of past years' formals.

Consideration should go to those who shouldered the main responsibilities for the event. Bob Cochran and Vern Jaquish were in charge of planning and distributing the programs and invitations; Bill McCoy and Larry Schott set up the decorations; Bob McCoy and Jack Graham made the dinner arrangements; and Dale Martin planned the program. Gene Kelly, social chairman, served as general chairman, coordinator and workhorse in all the preparations for the evening. Everyone contributed a large

portion of their time in aiding with the various phases. The final result of all effort established a challenge to all future Founders' Day celebrations for an all-around perfect evening.

### *New Officers*

On March 22, the Chi Deuteron gavel passed from Dale Martin to Leo Jensen as chapter elections and installation placed the affairs of the house in new and very capable hands. Assisting Prexy Jensen are: Bob Kittleson, vice-president; Bob McCoy, secretary; Jim Aylward, treasurer; Roy Boltz, sentinel; and Ed McKown, inductor. Dick Hintlian has taken over the duties of the social chairman and Norry Person is rush chairman and head of the rushing board. Bob Cochran is the assistant housemanager to Jim Aylward and has taken over the checking of housework and, of course, the title of "Pledges' Nemesis."

### *Activities*

Chi Deuteron again wishes to praise the accomplishments of its "outstanding senior," Vern Jaquish. Since his return to WSC after some four years in the service, Vern has earned the respect of the entire student body for his outstanding service to the school. In addition to serving on the Associated Students' Board of Control for this year, he has found time to serve on many committees both on the hill and in the house. As a climax, he was awarded one of the college's most outstanding honors of being chosen as one of the "Big Five" which is composed of the five most outstanding graduating senior men and is chosen by a student-faculty committee on the basis of their activities, scholarship, and general service to the school.

Phi Sigs have served the college on various Associated Students' Committees. Dale Martin devoted a large part of his time to the Student Activities Committee and the Steering Committee of the Educational Policies Committee. Al

Reisser helped on the Convocations Committee and Louie Black added his services to the Relief Drive. Leo Jensen served as chairman of the Student Union Promotion Committee, Bob Kittleson helped on Winter Week and Dean Rumburg is a member of the Athletic Council. In the recent class elections, Dale Martin gained a position on the executive council of the senior class. Both Dean Rumburg and Call Meredith have completed a term as class officers. Carl Blomber, Bob Cochran and Dave McKeen have been giving a great deal of their time to various activities and projects of the sophomore class.

### *Athletics*

Chi Deuteron, though not a big "athletic" house, has its share of Grey "W" men and numeral award winners. Dean Rumburg, 2 year award winner, is turning out for spring football in order to get in shape for a full season next fall. Don Arwine and John Rowley, who made

their numerals last season, are hoping to be in the line next fall. Lloyd Schmick shows promise of being a main stay in the varsity basketball squad come next December. When he isn't in a serious "session" in someone's room, Bob Kittleson can be found on the tennis courts where he will be working out his forehand and backhand for the third year. Don Bauer is aspiring to a spot on the freshman tennis team. Now that spring managed to get around to the Palouse country, we will be watching John Rowley and Chuck Lust on the baseball diamond for the freshman team. Two recent pledges, Danny Carroll and Jim Boortz will be holding down slots on the thin clads team. We expect a fine showing from these boys in future track meets. Jim Aylward finished his second year on the varsity boxing team and aside from a beat up nose (which makes him look very pugilistic) he came through the season with a fine record of wins for the



THE NEW AND THE OLD

Foreground: The gavel passes from past President Dale to President Leo Jensen. Behind Jensen (the new cabinet left to right): Ed McKown, Roy Boltz, Bob Kittleson, and Jim Aylward. Behind Martin (the old cabinet left to right): Dean Rumburg, Bob Meinke, Blaine Madden, Stan Peterson, and Bob Cochran.

Crimson and Grey. When it comes to intramural boxing, Roy Boltz will be defending his title which he won last year. A newly organized Mens Fencing Club of which Dorsey Martin is president, has had several bouts with schools in the vicinity. Hal Meadows has done a fine job with the foils also. Some of the fellows have been thankful for the extended winter because it means a longer ski season. Our Norwegian exchange student, Tom Forland, won a combined third place and Dave McKeen and Blain Madden also raced in a recent Intramural Ski Meet at the WSC Bowl. Now that the intramural basketball season is past record, the volleyball competition has started. The Phi Sigs have put two teams on the floor for this series. Wayne Fondahn has done a splendid job in handling the entire intramural program for the house. It can be seen that we have representatives of just about every sport on the campus which makes our group a well-balanced fraternity.

Scabbard and Blade, R.O.T.C. honorary, has six men from the Phi Sig house. Louie Black was recently promoted to Colonel and Blaine Madden received a promotion to Major while Dean Rumburg stepped up the ladder to First Lieutenant. Jim Aylward, Dorsey Martin and Stan Thompson as well as Dean are completing their second semester in advanced R.O.T.C.

#### *New Members*

Initiates had the privilege of being tabbed "Geeks" and thus did away with Neophyte Week, in name at least. After passing all requirements for membership, ten new men were added to the roll call. Vern Pritchard, Dorsey Martin, Lloyd Schmick, Wayne Fondahn, Carl Blomberg, Dave McKeen, Dick Hintlain, Gerry Morris, Don Bauer and Cye Ragsdale are the men sporting new pins, that is with the exception of Vern and Dorsey, who turned their pins over to the safe keeping of their favorite girls.

Two transfer students from University of Oregon's Psi Deuteron are taking an increasingly active part in Chi Deuteron. Bill Gitzen settled down in the Palouse hills last fall and Larry Schott migrated up here last February.

#### *New Pledges*

We have added several new men to the house roster since the change of semester. Cal Meredith was very active as an independent and is now secretary-treasurer on the Junior Interfraternity Council and Vice-President of Alpha Phi Omega, service fraternity. Jack Graham is also active in Alpha Phi Omega and the Young Democrats Club. When Bob Wolf isn't shining his car he is taking movie shots around the house or else at the airport flying a plane which his flying club has bought. Danny Carroll is our cinder track representative in the 220 yard dash. Ralph Klimke was nominated as our best looking fellow and hence is our Handsome Harry candidate. Arne, his brother, is the artist for the house now and is always busy on some risque picture. They look good in the study rooms too! When spring is here a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of — fishing. Cal Cooper is starting to plan long range trips to mountain streams and lakes. Besides that, he is an Entomology major, which means we will be classifying all the local insects as they are caught. Don Fuller was recently elected vice-president of the pledge class. Jum Boortz sings in the Lamplighters Chorus and is a hurdles man on the track team.

We think we have a pretty good group of new pledges and we will be looking to them as future leaders in the fraternity.

#### *Seniors*

When classroom doors close this semester and graduation ceremonies begin, Chi Deuteron will lose only three men by the graduation route but they will surely be missed. As we sign off for this

issue, we wish to pass out best wishes and good luck to these men, Vern Jaquish, Ken Scholtz and Al Reisser.

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**XI DEUTERON**  
**University of Tennessee**

By JOHN P. WAMPLER

This matter of going to college is getting rough down South, Suh. And, from the way those SIGNET articles all read, it isn't just a localized condition either. Just how the Phi Sigs managed to "socialize" as much as they do and still stay in school is an unsolved mystery. And how our Phi Deuteron brothers manage to produce an eighteen man pledge class with a better than "B" average (re March SIGNET) we're sure we'll never know. How did you do it men? All chapters could use some sound advice from you.

Meanwhile socials must go on here as elsewhere — so here goes . . . Having waited five tedious months for the big day to arrive, Xi Deuteronites donned formal attire — whether begged, borrowed, or stolen — on February 22, and proceeded over to the Alumni Memorial Auditorium for the big event of the year; The Phi Sig Moonlight Dance. The event occasioned several "firsts" at U. T. in the way of decorations. The most notable of these being a fountain situated in the middle of the gymnasium.

Dancing beneath a simulated star-studded sky, complete with clouds, we of Xi Deuteron felt more than amply rewarded for our rather prolonged wait — especially during the no-break while dancing to what is now a "must" at a "Moonlight" dance down Tennessee way; yep, "Did You Ever Get That Feeling In The Moonlight?"

Of course the climax of the evening was the presentation of the Moonlight Girl, which, if we may say so ourselves, was rather cleverly executed; the presentation, not the Moonlight Girl.

When the time came for the presentation, Prexy "Slick" Sams assembled every-



Phi Sigs and guests dancing around the fountain at their Moonlight Dance.

one in front of the stage. Everyone was straining his or her eyes to get the first glimpse of "Moonbeams" behind stage, when, to the astonishment of all, a beam of light knifed all the way across the gymnasium and focused on Miss Mary Ann Anderson, the 1948 Moonlight Girl of Xi Deuteron chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, descending on a half-moon.

Mary Ann is to us the perfect Moonlight Girl — taking all specifications into account — and has taken over the obligations of our '47 Moonlight Girl, Erie Kate Porter, in helping "Mom" Billings manage her boys and the Phi Sig Mansion. She has since pledged Pi Phi Gamma, the colony of Pi Beta Phi at U. T.

All festivities at the gymnasium drawing to a close at 11:45, the Phi Sigs made a hasty retreat to "Southlands," a local night club, where we began our "exclusive" breakfast, which lasted 'til around 4 A.M. For some reason, it seems to be the consensus of opinion around here that in the future we should do away with everything pertaining to formals except the breakfast. That, we believe, is a sufficient "explanation" of the affair. The month following the formal cast a more serious shadow over the Phi Sig Mansion — for it was exam week — but once it was past, we immediately forgot those "seven days of insurrection" and started laying plans for the Naheeyayli intermission party that has become an annual affair here at Xi Deuteron. Elliot Lawrence and his Orchestra, complete with luscious Roz Patton were



Miss Mary Ann Anderson, Xi Deuteron Moonlight Girl being helped "aground" by the "red carnation boys" at their dance.

guests of honor again, and, not to be outdone by the Nahheeyayli Board which presented Elliot with a cup commemorating his return to U. T., the Phi Sigs likewise give him a "remembrance." Incidentally, the date of the occasion was April 1, and Elliot's gift consisted of a card bearing the sentiments of the day and one all day sucker. Each and every "femme" present was presented with a smaller edition of the same All Fool's Day sentiments as well as a penny sucker. These little "gifts," along with an excellent buffet style snack served up by the hands of "Moonbeam" Anderson and Brother "Kissing Bear" Whiteside under the capable direction of "Mom" Billings turned an otherwise "stuffed shirt" affair into a typical Xi Deuteron "shindig."

Getting away from the formal atmosphere, several of the brothers and pledges along with dates threw on their old

"duds" and proceeded to Norris Lake for weiner roasts two Saturdays in succession. Brothers "Big Jim" Evans, Jack "The Sleepy Bear" Webster, Dave "Dynamo" Dodson, and Bill "Lighthorse Harry" Dodson plus Pledges Dick McGraw and Howard "Doc" Clarke held a meeting following the second of these outings and renamed Brother Jack "Kissing Bear" Whiteside, Jack "Lapdog" Whiteside. But for some reason, the name hasn't stuck as yet.

So much for socials except for the plans for a "Turnabout" party for the pledges on April 16. We're going to let the lads have full hand — and the worries that go with it — on that date. We want it known that the actives of Xi Deuteron were in sound mind when they decided to become the pledge class' pledges for a day.

In case our brothers in other chapters wonder why we never seem to include

our prowess in the sports field in these SIGNET articles, it's just that we don't like to talk about it. However, we have a



Brother Jack "Kissing-Bear" Whiteside stepping out and Brother "Dad" Overton swinging out at the breakfast following the formal.

feeling that the worm is turning as the softball season draws near. Under the direction of Brother "Scribe" Gossett and Pledge "Josh Lulu" Bearden we have what we think will be the champs this year. Don't remind us of this statement if no confirmation of it appears in the next SIGNET!!!!

On to the more serious side of activities here at the "Hill." Xi Deuteron is more than proud to announce the initiation of eleven new brothers: Richard Dixon, Sam Boehms, Bill Hancock, Leroy Marsh, John Milliken, Loyd Reed, Bob Whitehouse, Bill Campbell, Louis Dotson, Bill Townsend, and Jerald Dotson. Like initiates of last quarter, these show great promise and are "ready to go." It doesn't seem possible, but it seems that every time we welcome new brothers they give promise of being the best yet and this group does just that. That they are the names that will dominate our future SIGNET articles seems a certainty.

These men were all initiated by our newly elected officers for the spring quarter, President Robin F. Johnson, Vice-President John Wampler, Secretary Monty Graham, Treasurer Dave Dodson, Sentinel "Hoss" Shofner, and Inductor Bill Dodson.

It might be putting the cart before the equine, but we feel compelled to mention that our new prexy, Brother Johnson, is to be our political party's candidate for Athletic Council representative, and that our Treasurer, Dave Dodson, is the candidate for vice-president of the All Students' Council. Both these men are outstanding on the campus; Robin being present prexy of Phi Sigma Kappa, vice prexy of the University Playhouse, and member of Delta Sigma Pi. He has held the position of ass't house manager and sentinel in Phi Sigma Kappa, the offices of scribe and junior war-



Gordon Sams, President of Xi Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa at the University of Tennessee presenting, as President of the Nahheeyayli Board, a cup to band leader Elliot Lawrence to commemorate his return to that campus. This was the first time in the twenty-two year history of the Nahheeyayli Board, an organization to bring "name" bands to the campus, that an orchestra had been asked to return.

den in Delta Sigma Pi, and received recognition from the University for being the second highest scholastically the first two quarters of his freshman year. Dave is present student representative to the



Misses Ruthie Huddleston, Jean DeVault, Adelyne Sumner, and Mary Anne Felts admire Elliot Lawrence and the cup presented to him by the Nahheeyayli Board at the Phi Sig Intermission Party

Athletic Council, member of Scarrabeau, a secret honorary society for the improvement of U. T.'s campus, treasurer of Phi Sigma Kappa, and the brains and brawn behind nearly every sorority dance that is held on the campus.

Thanks to the efforts of Brother Raymond Blankenbecker, a new idea has been initiated by Xi Deuteron for combined active and pledge meetings. Ray has set up a very enjoyable long range program whereby every meeting is preceded by a short 30 minute program varying from Hillbilly music to the Classics to informative talks. So far the programs have been highly successful and add much to the weekly get togethers.

Red carnations are also in order for Brother Stan Merrit, one of the January initiates, who is already doing more than his share to put Phi Sig on top of the "Hill." Stan is editor of the *Tennessee Engineer* and president of the A.I.E.E. and as such is, at present, with the help of Brothers Jerry "Pretty Boy" Robinson and Charlie Eastland, Pledges Coy Lander and Louis Willhoyt, is directing that organization's Southern District Convention.

That's not all either; Brother Stan is also co-manager of the 1948 Carnicus production, which is a collection of competitive stage skits by the fraternities and sororities on the campus. Xi Deuteron's skit in this activity is under the direction

of Brother "Rogeo" Bohanon, and, we think, shows great promises as a result of his directorship. He really isn't that good, but he requested that I work him up as if he were.

New pledges since last issue are: Louis Willhoyt, Coy Lander, Buddy Daniels, James Bibee, and Don Anderson.

We wish to take this chance, in closing, to let Brother Jack Martin from the University of Alabama chapter know how much we enjoyed his visiting us during his trip to "Stan's" A.I.E.E. Convention and hope he returns soon with as many Omicron Deuteronites as he can talk into coming.

And that, men, closes another chapter for Xi Deuteron, except that we wish to say that we are greatly elated on reading of the great progress being made by our younger fellow Phi Sig chapters throughout the country. Further, to Kappa Triton, we would like to put the question: Do y'all sho nuff talk thetaway out thar?" We'uns hyar in Tinosee cain't reckon as how anybody actually gibbers sechaway.

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### ALPHA TRITON Wesleyan University

By CHARLES O. CULVER, JR.

With the advent of spring, the brothers of Alpha Triton have recovered sufficiently from the exertion caused by the prom and vacation to look forward eagerly to the spring house-parties which are only a few weeks away and less eagerly to the final exams looming ominously in the background. Spring has found the Wesleyan chapter busily engaged in work about the house. Painting has been going on steadily for about a week, the grounds have been thoroughly cleaned up, and the shrubbery trimmed, thanks to Brothers Buss whose ardor is surpassed only by his skill when it comes to tree trimming. However the general effect is good.

The prom week-end in February was



an unqualified success. With the arrival of dates on Friday, the party began. That night an informal dance was held which lasted well into the next day. Saturday, after fencing and wrestling matches, there was a campus-wide cocktail party at the house. The number of people who attended were all out of proportion to the size of the house, but everyone appeared to enjoy himself. Indeed, several of the faculty had such a good time that they not only stayed for supper, but eventually left with a considerable sum of money won from the brothers at poker. Beginning at 9:00, we danced in the alumni cage to the music of Claude Thornhill's orchestra. The Phi Sig booth was a popular meeting place throughout the night for anyone who wanted to taste a really good punch. When the dance ended, everyone went back to the house for an early breakfast, after which most of us departed for our respective beds. Little activity was seen around the house until after dinner on Sunday when a milk punch party revived the somewhat fatigued group.

Unfortunately we lost the interfraternity basketball championship, but have the consolation of knowing that we lasted until the semi-finals, losing that game by only one point. With the return of a cold Connecticut spring the brothers are out practicing daily for the interfraternity baseball championship and thus far have won their only game, so our hopes are high. Len Hippler is again representing Phi Sig on the varsity track team along with Dave Beebe and George Stewart. In varsity baseball, Don MacCoy is managing the team along with Cob Jenkins as assistant manager.

In February the following men were elected officers, and will serve until the end of this academic year: President, Lewis Whitney; Vice-President, Stephen Watts; Secretary, Carl Eiser; Treasurer, Dick Preston; Sentinel, Kay Vermilya; Inductor, Len Hippler.

Also in February, Frank Hassel, a freshman, was pledged to the Alpha Triton Chapter. His initiation, along with Phil Pedlow and Peter Thompson's will take place within the next few weeks.

The Wesleyan Phi Sigs are proud of the fact that in recent elections to the honorary scientific society Sigma Xi three brothers, Fred Lorenson, Dick Sweet, and Charles Prohaska were chosen. This gives our house a greater number of men in Sigma Xi than any other house on campus.

And so, as graduation time rolls nearer and the seniors begin to acquire that harried, frustrated look which accompanies the final few weeks at Wesleyan where exams seem to come so fast that there is no time to open those books which have not been opened all semester, the brothers look back on a happy and, on the whole, successful year and look forward to one at least comparable in '48-'49.

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### ALPHA

#### University of Massachusetts

With the disappearance of snow and the coming of spring here at Amherst, Alpha has taken to the baseball diamond. The house is assured of a capable softball team to represent her in interfraternity competition. And the varsity team here at the University will be considerably strengthened by such outstanding players as Brothers Sam Price, Bruce Schufelt, Warren Gingras, and Walt Maisner.

We initiated fourteen new brothers into Alpha this semester, and are very proud to have such a fine group of new men. They are: Julie Wilk, '48, Al Caron, '50, Phil Roth, '51, Bruce Wogan, Al Hodgess, Fred Lahey, Don Jacques, Bill Leidt, Ken Cutting, Andy Mangum, Phil Hammond, Mac Payne, and Al Trombla, all of '51.

Spring social season is in full sway

here at Alpha. The week of April 5th was Greek week climaxed by the annual Greek Ball on Friday the ninth. It held the position of the most important social function of the year. Music was furnished by George Paxton's nationally famous orchestra. The ball was a "screaming" success due largely to the capable efforts of Brother Bill Tunis. On the following night Alpha was awarded a prize by the Interfraternity Council for putting on one of the best novelty dances of the year. The theme of the dance was tobacco road. Nicotine Queen of the dance was Mrs. Noel Edwards, wife of Brother Ted Edwards. Among the decorations was some livestock including a chicken and a rooster which Brother Al Price was able to obtain at the poultry plant. During the dance someone walked off with the hen, but it showed up again in the form of chicken-a-la-king at dinner on the following Monday. The rooster which also disappeared, found its way into Brother Herb Holden's bed and roused him with a rending cock-call at 4 A.M. the next morning.

To carry on with our social events Alpha is holding its annual whist party for the faculty on April 16. Plans have been made to hold our yearly Costume Ball on the 1st of May, and our Spring Formal on the 15th of May.

The landscape architects in the house have been doing marvelously on the construction of a patio in back of the house. Our chapter room which was not large enough to seat all the members is being enlarged and converted into a recreation room and bar under the direction of Brother Jack Crean. The meetings are now being held in the living room.

Spring fever has affected Brothers Dave Jackson, Andy Nelson, and Dick Hansen, who are to be married in the near future. Brothers Bud Vigneau and Don Westcott have lost their pins to two of the prettier girls on campus, namely

Poly Tanguay and Jo Bangs. Rumor has it that Brother Herb Holden has lost his pin to Miss Ann McVickers, Kappa Alpha Theta queen. However he denies this.

Due to graduation in June, Alpha is losing some of its outstanding members. Perhaps the most outstanding senior is Brother Warren Gingras, president of the senior class and excellent athlete. Other honorable seniors are Brothers Bud Gilman, Jim Lalibertie, Sam Price, Ted Edwards, Jim English, Julie Wilk, Ed Szetela, Bill Lucey, and Bill Merrill.

We here at Alpha would like to take this opportunity to wish all the brothers of Phi Sigma Kappa an enjoyable summer, and we'll be looking for you in The SIGNET next November.

### *Sports*

For the second year in a row Phi Sig will be represented in the University of Massachusetts lineup in baseball with Captain Sam Price in the outfield and Bruce Shufelt behind the plate. Sam has had trouble with his throwing arm this year but will be kept in the lineup for his timely hitting. Coach Earl Lorden is particularly pleased with the defensive play of Bruce Shufelt. Although still ten pounds over-weight, his accurate throws to second base will stop the opposition from running wild on the base paths. The standout play of these two players make the University of Massachusetts an added threat to all New England competition.

Spring soccer is in full swing with Captain Fred Richardson as the main driving force. His conditioning exercises have helped the team a great deal. It is interesting to note that former Captain Joe Magri has been selected for the Olympic try-outs this spring. Last year he was one of the leading fullbacks in intercollegiate soccer.

Enthusiasm for the fraternity's softball team is high at present with Wilfred Learned as coach and manager. "I don't

know what the starting lineup will be yet," said Bill, "but it is a cinch that I will field the best possible club for the opening game."

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Lehigh University

By MARIO R. D'ANTONIO

As the school year of 1947-48 draws to a close, the men of Nu Chapter here at Lehigh look back with satisfaction, for it has been a highly successful year. The chapter has once again attained the high position it held among fraternities at Lehigh in the pre-war days. Phi Sig brothers, as stated in previous issues, are in almost all of the activities and honoraries at the school, the affairs planned by the social committee have been successes, and the prospects for the future of the house look exceedingly good.

The chapter membership has been increased recently by the initiation of four new brothers. These men are: Donald B. Banker, Baldwin, N. Y.; James F.

Barr, Philadelphia, Pa.; Frank A. Mink, Kennet Square, Pa. and Robert L. Utz, Hanover, Pa. After these men were initiated, the pledge class was refilled with new recruits including James S. Fulleylove, Port Washington, N. Y.; Ralph L. Hartman, Fairlawn, N. J.; and John W. Scott IV, Germantown, Pa.

In the last issue of *The SIGNET* we reported that Brother D. W. Berndt would be on the mat for Lehigh at the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association Meet, but, due to illness, Berndt was unable to appear. Both Lehigh and the men of the chapter regretted this very much, for Donald is considered one of the best wrestlers in the heavyweight class.

In the last month we have had several brothers elected to diverse honorary fraternities in school. Brother P. G. Ridinger has been elected to Eta Kappa Nu, honorary electrical engineering society; Brother J. J. Avey has been elected to Alpha Kappa Psi, honorary business fraternity; and Brother G. D. O'Brien has been elected to the society of official greeters for Lehigh, The Brown Key So-



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ciety. Pledge James S. Fulleylove was elected vice-president of Phi Eta Sigma, honorary freshman fraternity at their last meeting. Membership in Phi Eta Sigma is attained during the freshman year, and continues until the junior year.

Though Nu Chapter did not have a Founders' Day program of its own, several members of the house attended the Founders' Day banquet held by Mu Chapter at Philadelphia. Among the active members attending were Brothers R. E. Burger, G. T. Raffensperger, J. F. Barr, J. M. Bridgman, D. W. Berndt; Brothers P. Damiani and E. Curtis, both alumni, were also present.

The final big fling of the year was the Houseparty held on April 23, 24 and 25. There was a formal dance at the school on Friday evening followed by a party at the house. On Saturday the members of the crowd attended the freshman baseball game and the lacrosse game. We have men on both teams. In the afternoon following the game there was a hobo party at the house. Everyone was attired in old rags, and engaged in games which included everything from sack races to square dancing. After completely wearing everyone out and awarding numerous prizes for efforts, a buffet supper was held in the garden. From all outward appearances, the entire company was indeed worn out. However, the supper was only a brief rest in the events of the day, for following the food was the evening dance which included more fantastic doings, such as a balloon dance where everyone had balloons tied to their ankles, and everyone tried to break everyone else's balloon, thus winning a prize. Prizes were awarded to the last persons having balloons left. The final award of the week-end was given to the brave souls who attended early services on Sunday morning.

The men who represented Nu Chapter on the school teams at this time are: lacrosse—Brothers R. D. Wallick, T. H.

Johnston, J. F. Barr, W. S. Purdy, and Pledge Scott; freshman baseball—Brother D. B. Banker, and Pledge P. G. Murphy.

On the political side of extra-curricular affairs, we have Brother R. B. McMullen who attended the Far Eastern Association Meeting at Penn State on April 30. Brother McMullen is majoring in International Relations. Brother M. R. D'Antonio was one of the men who represented Lehigh at the debater convention at Penn State on March 19-20.

Brother J. F. O'Brien was confined to the hospital for a short period following poisoning from gas he was using in a research project. Brother O'Brien is working toward his Master's degree in chemistry.

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### GAMMA TRITON University of South Carolina

By PAT PATRICK

Fate has indeed been smiling on Gamma Triton. The past few months have been crammed with a variety of activities—all of which have blended to create Phi Sigma Kappa, The Fraternity of ole Carolina. Party followed by party has given us considerable publicity, and a deep, sincere feeling of brotherhood.

This semester was ushered in by the election of new officers. Alec Bollin, president, is doing a superb job in the driver's seat. Ole reliable Bill Boswell was elected vice-president. Earl (the lover) Zeigler was elected to the position of secretary. Dependable Dex Goodwin remains in the headache spot of treasurer. Johnny Bradham, the inductor, has the pledges under control, and keeps the ole house sparkling with cleanliness. "Man Mountain" Dean was unanimously selected as sentinel.

March thirteenth, we introduced our Moonlight Girl, Miss Martha Cunningham, to the public with a formal dance at the Hotel Columbia. The ballroom

was decorated to produce a rustic effect. At one end a group of small pines resembling a forest with a crescent shape moon peeping over their tops added to the sylvan atmosphere. The following Monday night all actives and pledges adjourned to Harvey's Restaurant and a banquet. Brother Arnold Muir, Chapter Adviser, entertained us with a post-prandial speech on brotherhood.

After a brilliant start this semester, the tempo has not diminished, and party followed by party has thrown our chapter into a sincere sea of brotherhood. The chapter room is saturated each morning with the pleasant rehashing of last night's activities. If laughter and ribbing give an indication of spirit, Gamma Triton certainly is not excelled.

If this account is to be complete, two blanket parties must be mentioned. The first was an experimental undertaking with the chapter motoring out to the lake, and Bill Gant's palatial resort. A large keg of beer was supplied through the usual channel of assessment, blankets were torn from beds, and with expectant emotions, the experiment began. The ultimate result surpassed the wildest predictions of success. The setting was replete with all the splendors of a Carolina night. Hundreds of scintillating stars scattered and diffused their brilliance on the lovely rolling hills surrounding the lake, and the songs of Phi Sigma Kappa echoed through the woods and lulls. The smell of roasting weenies infiltrated the ether causing appetites to be sharpened, and like a powerful magnet, forced the entire crowd to the fire and food.

The following week-end evoked a duplicate blanket party, and this also mirrored the success of the former. "Man Mountain" Dean receives the just credit for having engineered the two excursions.

Next on the agenda, was a smoker held in the chapter room of the house for the prospective pledges. Many innocent and

expectant personalities were exposed to the sterling qualities of our fraternal organization. After introductions, drinks and smokes, some sixteen actives and prospectives, piled into Brother Dex Goodwin's DeSoto and drove to that exclusive club of the plutocrats, "Georges" and consumed a few brews.

Also for our future pledges, we held an informal dance at the Woman's Club. The affair ended in everyone forsaking the music of the moderns, and relying upon good folk music with square dancing. Brother Henry Gaddis, the father of folk songs, in these parts has long advocated more and better square dances for the young people.

Gamma Triton was active in all winter intramurals this year. Soft ball is in its glory now. We've won once, and lost a close one ten to nine. The first game was clenched when Pledge Putman homered in the sixth with three on. The air-tight pitching of Brother Bollin and Pledge Kirby can not be overlooked either.

During the month of March, Bill Putman, Gordon Kennerly and Stan Alford were pledged. Last week Bob McQuillin, Jim Ulery, and Bill Patrick were added to our pledge list. Monday night at the regular meeting of actives and pledges, Gamma Triton is proud to have received "Shorty" Wall, Woodie Steverson, Maurice Driggers, Frank McAbie, Eddy Jackson, Lawton Wiles, and Albert Wright.

During the summer months of school, our chapter will not be active. For the Phi Sigs who will remain to sweat and study, elaborate plans are being made to rent a house on the lake. This retreat will furnish the needed recreation from books and boredom.

I've completely exhausted my depleted brain power so necessity demands that I cease. Until we meet again, Brothers—Enjoy Life.

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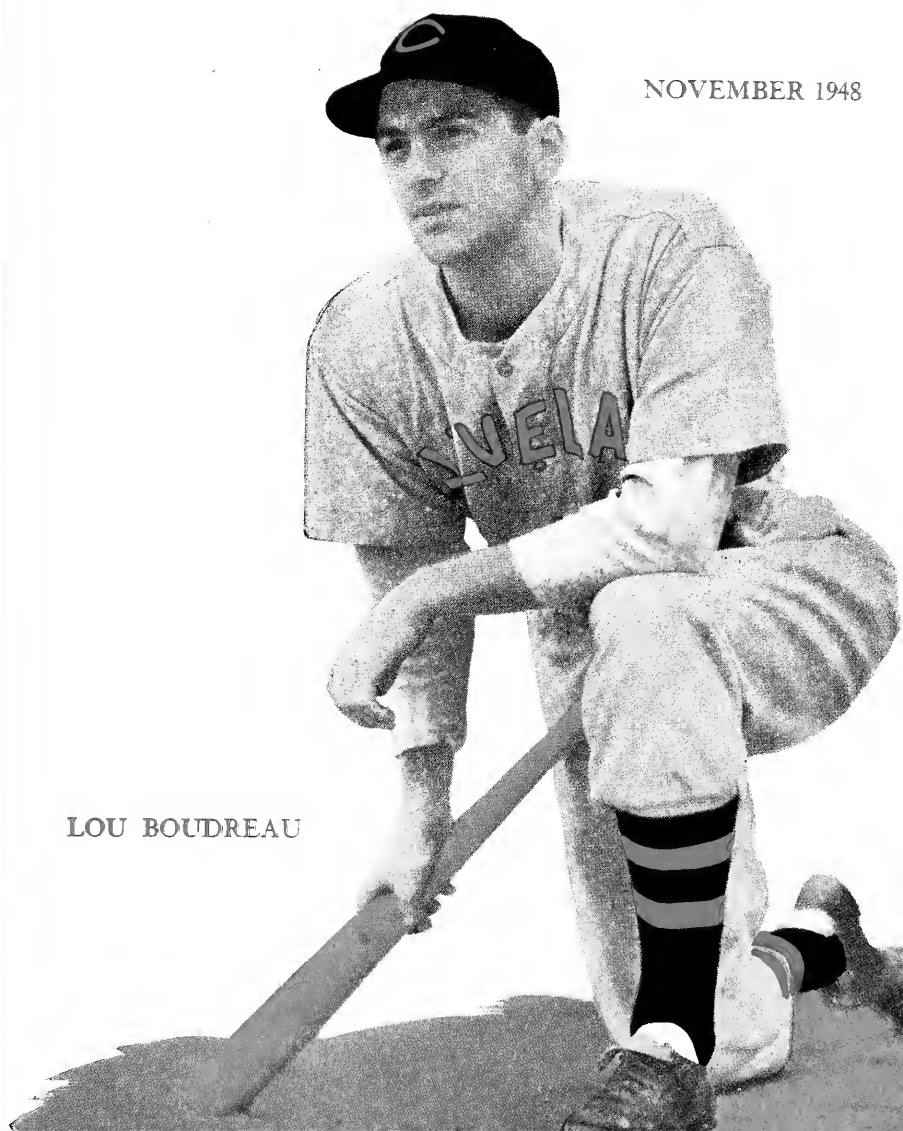
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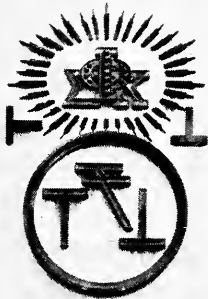
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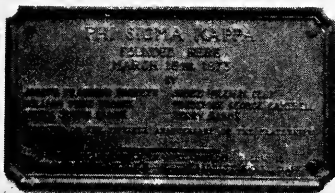
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to Phi Sigma Kappa  
this issue of THE SIGNET is dedicated





# Diamond Jubilee Convention



IF the six founders of Phi Sigma Kappa could have been in Boston August 11-14 of 1948 they might well have been moved to pride in what they saw. There, after 75 years, was the harvest of the crop they had sown in nearby Amherst. It was a great crop — clean-cut, alert, serious, joyful — a crop of “brothers” of which they would have had every reason to be proud. It could scarcely be otherwise, the cardinal principles of Phi Sigma Kappa being what they are — the promotion of brotherhood, the stimulation of scholarship, and the development of character.

This Diamond Jubilee Convention of Phi Sigma Kappa is no easy meeting to report, for in its four epochal days it combined many things — serious business sessions, a pilgrimage to the site of the founding, memorable social events, and, above all, a welding of brotherhood and fellowship that linked firmly in one

great chain the chapters from the Atlantic to those of the Pacific.

THE high light of the convention was the pilgrimage to the shrine at Amherst. There, as the rain poured down outside the assembly hall, Chaplain Brother Stewart Rudisill, Rho Deuteron (Gettysburg) '12 paid memorable tribute to Phi Sig's 130 gold star men who gave their lives that our fraternities and our other democratic institutions might survive. There, also, Brother Frank Rand, Chi (Williams) '12, past national officer, former editor of *THE SIGNET*, and author of the *Phi Sigma Kappa History*, eloquently and impressively told the story of our beginning at Amherst 75 years ago and described our six founders whose high vision and broad perspective built so well that their original concept has both endured and expanded.

The moving a cappella interpretations of “Going Home” and other selections by the Rho Deuteron quartet were an effectual contribution to the atmosphere of reverence which pervaded this memorable occasion.

## CONVENTION BANQUET HEAD TABLE

Left to right — Cedric Foster, Dartmouth, banquet speaker; President Herbert L. Brown, Swarthmore; Ruth Sawyer, Phi Sigma Kappa Moonlight Girl; Ken Elliot, Texas; Mrs. Schoening; W. A. Stoeltzing, Lehigh; and Earl F. Schoening, Illinois, Secretary-Treasurer and Editor.

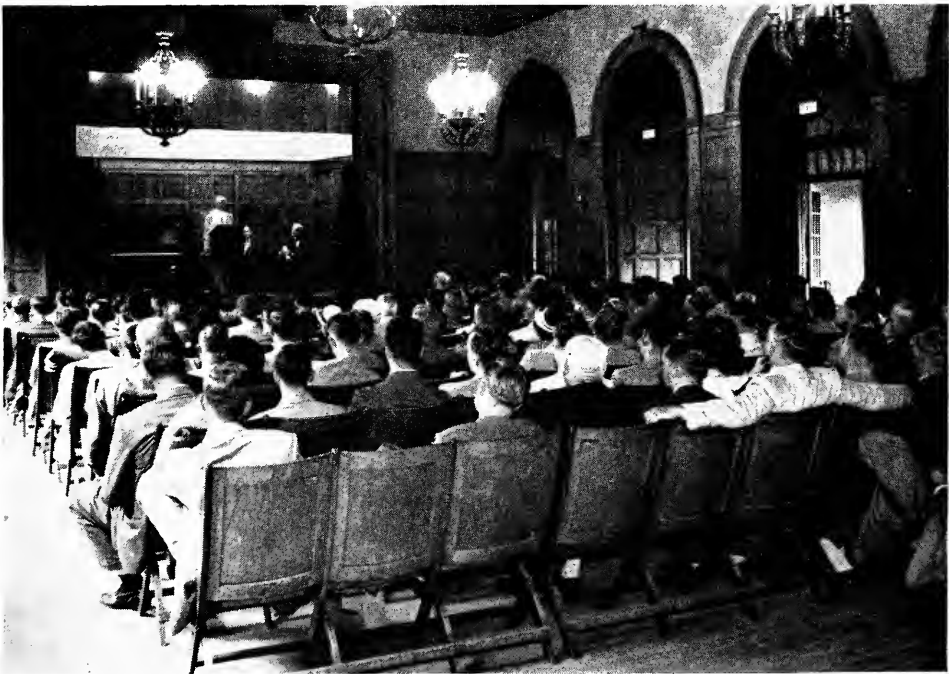
The downpour obligingly ceased at the conclusion of the ceremony, thereby enabling the delegates to take pictures before the shrine — the tablet at North College (old chemical laboratory) of the University of Massachusetts.

**T**O go back to the convention itself and the Boston high lights, it can well be stated that the Diamond Jubilee Convention was a working convention. Business sessions started promptly and ended promptly — social sessions started promptly and ended — period.

The first of the convention sessions, scheduled for 11 o'clock Wednesday morning following convention registration, was open to members and guests alike. Dr. Rudisill pronounced the invocation. National President Herbert L. Brown, Phi (Swarthmore) '16 welcomed the assembled group for Phi Sigma Kappa and introduced President Daniel L. Marsh of Boston University.

The address of welcome by President Marsh was both cordial and informative. The singing by the Rho Deuteron quartet and the Epsilon Deuteron trio was inspiring and just the thing to get the convention off to a good start. They sang "When the Phi Sigs Come Back Home," and also introduced President Brown's new song, "Phi Sigs. On the March." After the introduction of the Council by President Brown and his appointment of convention committees the convention recessed.

**T**HE Wednesday afternoon meeting was the first business session. It was devoted primarily to reports. Principal among these reports was that of National President Herbert L. Brown. This important address is almost entirely reprinted in this SIGNET under the title of "The President Speaks." Similarly important were the reports of the Secretary-Treasurer and Editor of THE SIGNET



Frank Rand recounts the story of our beginning

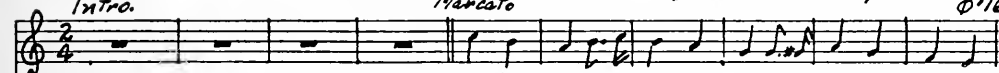


# Phi Sigs, On the March

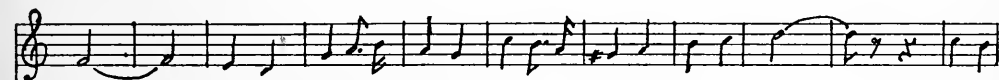
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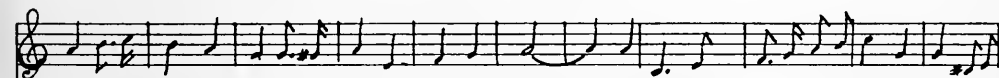
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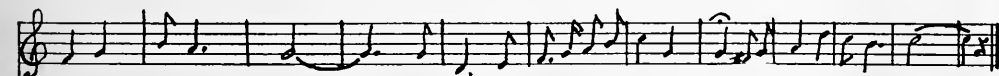
Side by side we are marching on, With our banners flying.



high. .... Brothers all, one in heart and mind, True to Phi Sig 'til we die. .... All for



one and each one for all, Pressing onward to our goal. Our silver and magenta leads the way; Duty's



call we shall not fail. --- We'll always stick together, come what may, To Phi Sigma Kappa, hail.



and the other national officers, all of which reports were printed and distributed well in advance of the convention. This speeded up the entire proceedings immeasurably. Much of the report of the secretary-treasurer is reprinted in this SIGNET under the title, "The Secretary Reports." To spark this session the convention picture was taken at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the session resuming thereafter and continuing until 4 p.m. This gave everyone ample time to make ready for the unforgettable Moonlight Girl Dinner Dance, scheduled for 7 o'clock in the Louis XIV Ballroom of the Somerset Hotel. Florists had already been working all day, providing the display of gladiolas, snapdragons, zinnias, and oth-

er colorful varieties of flowers which so richly complemented the already beautiful room.

Nor will anyone ever forget the unassuming, gracious Ruth Sawyer of the University of Texas, our official, national, Moonlight Girl. Her perfect poise, her undeniable talent, and her charming beauty captivated all. With a spotlight beaming down on her, she was not only crowned Moonlight Girl of Phi Sigma Kappa and presented with gifts and flowers from the national fraternity by National President Herbert L. Brown, but was honored with a special commission issued by Governor Beauford Jester of Texas, which commission was presented to Miss Sawyer for him by our



THE COUNCIL AT THE SHRINE

Left to right: Earl F. Schoening, Secretary to the Council; Donald G. Downing, Director Region One; Bruce C. Bean, Director Region Six; R. Haven Falconer, Director at Large; Herbert L. Brown, President; Ralph J. Watts, Director at Large; D. R. Collins, Director Region Four; and W. Barrett Fuchs, Director Region Three.



MOONLIGHT GIRL DINNER DANCE

Counter-clockwise around table, starting at right — Yvette Berthiaume, Uxbridge, Mass.; Dick McMahan, Worcester; Jim Adams, President of Worcester; Jim's sister, Mary Adams; Barbara Shaw, Boston; John Logan, Worcester; Mrs. Downing; Don Downing, Director of Region One; Clair Cassidy, Uxbridge, Mass.; and Walter Dick, Worcester.

own Cedric Foster, Tau (Dartmouth) '24, conferring upon her the official title of Moonlight Girl of Texas. Sam Eisen made another ballroom of fans with his leadership of Ruby Newman's band, one of Boston's leading society orchestras.

NO account of this convention would be complete without a profound tribute to Sally and Chick Pfeiffer. How they screened and secured 74 charming dates for the Moonlight Girl Dance is a chapter in itself; and how each and everyone of them fitted in so well with the spirit of the occasion is in itself a tribute to that screening. Our orchids go to Sally and Chick!

And speaking of flowers, each lady was provided with a gardenia corsage, and as for the men, well, they each had to settle for a magenta carnation.

Arrangements for the ladies were also handled by Sally, and handled so well, so detailed, that there was never a dull moment for the distaff contingent while the men were "at work." Certainly every woman at the convention came away marveling that any one individual — Sally — could be so many places and do so many things, and do them all well, at the same time.

THURSDAY has already been accounted for, except to say that the drivers of our chartered buses had dif-



Mrs. Foster and Cedric Foster at  
Moonlight Girl Dinner Dance.

ficulty impressing their passengers with the historical significance of Cambridge, Lexington, and Concord. (In fact, there is some controversy as to whether the buses actually went to Lexington. One story has it that in order to keep to the rigid schedule Lexington was by-passed — the other has it that the entire convention party slept through it.) In any event, the luncheon at the Weldon Hotel in Greenfield, Massachusetts provided the necessary lift for the afternoon program, and the filet mignon dinner at 1812 House, Framingham, Massachusetts was a perfect conclusion to a wonderful day, the rain notwithstanding.

On Friday morning the six regions of Phi Sigma Kappa held their respective

William N. Zimmerman, Field Secretary, and Miss Helen Mamula, Secretary to Earl F. Schoening, at Moonlight Girl Dinner Dance.



regional conclaves, the convention resuming its business sessions with the afternoon session, at which session the first order of business was the reports from the several conclaves. Uncontroversial matters were acted upon immediately and controversial matters were referred to the recommendations committee.

ONE could not help being impressed with the seriousness of the business



President Brown presenting Ruth Sawyer with matching gold jeweled bracelet and compact as gifts from the Grand Chapter.

sessions and of the parliamentary ability of the undergraduates. It was clearly a convention of undergraduates. When controversial matters were reported back to the business sessions and as a result of much difference of opinion confusion seemed inescapable, some cool, clear-thinking undergraduate would restore

logic to the deliberations. Thus, legislation was reasoned out on the floor and voted upon only after thorough, and sometimes a bit heated, discussion.

This session of the convention voted to adopt Brother Brown's suggested plan providing for the seeking out of the most able men for national fraternity work. It also voted that the national fraternity employ a second field secretary, if possible; that it continue its expansion campaign, by colonization if necessary; that the national fraternity encourage the establishment of more alum-



Mrs. Pfeiffer and Brother Pfeiffer, the  
Convention Date Bureau

vention of the fraternity will also have to act favorably upon this resolution.

ON Friday evening the convention met in secret session for an exemplification of the ritual revision. Brother Brown has been working on the revision of the ritual for four years. Since December 1947 Brother Brown had met frequently with a special team from Rho Deuteron to perfect this exemplification. That such time, study, and effort had been given to the revision and rehearsals was evident from the perfection achieved in the exemplification. It was enthusi-

Donald G. Downing, Director of Region One, and Mrs. Downing, at Dinner Dance.



Ruth Sawyer, at Moonlight Girl Dinner Dance, singing, "I Wish I Didn't Love You So."

ni clubs and the establishment of a better liaison between such clubs and chapters; that the national fraternity create an active public relations bureau; that the national president appoint a committee to study the advisability of the continuation of the Court of Honor; and that the Endowment Trust funds be paid over to the Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation, Incorporated. Before this latter act can become effective the next general con-

astically acclaimed and approved by the convention delegates.

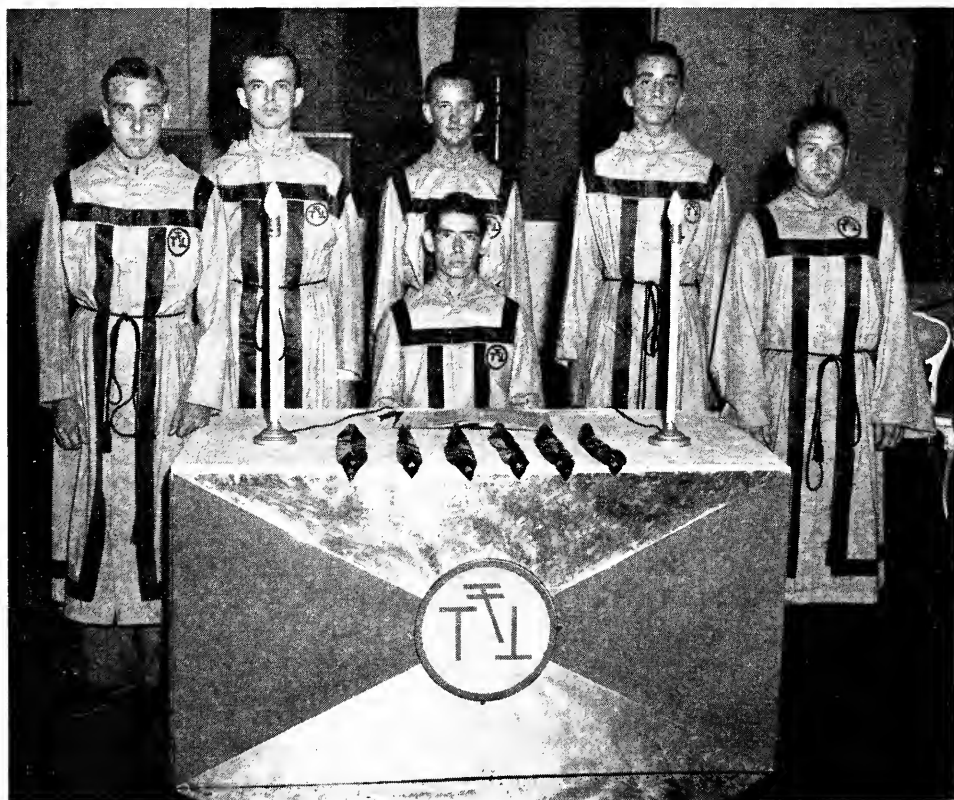
The Friday night bridge party for the women was such a complete success that before it was over they found it was no longer a ladies' party, many of the convention delegates having learned about the delicious refreshments served at the party. As far as we can determine, they were able to confine the attractive prizes to their own sex.

THE resolutions committee reported to the Saturday morning session and the following resolutions were adopted:

1. Resolved that we express our appreciation to the following people and organizations for their contribution

toward making the Diamond Jubilee Convention of Phi Sigma Kappa held in Boston in 1948 as enjoyable and as profitable as it has been:

- (a) The Boston *Herald*, the Boston *Daily Record*, the Boston *Globe*, the Boston *Traveler*, the Boston *American*, the Boston *Post*, the Springfield *Union*, the Northampton *Gazette*, and the Worcester *Gazette* for their excellent publicity.
- (b) The Hotel Somerset for its efficient service and its courteous hospitality.
- (c) The Hotel Weldon and the 1812 House for their excellent cuisines and service.



INITIATION EXEMPLIFICATION TEAM

Left to right — Robert Braun, Frank Bretz, Robert Nemeschy, Tom Lescalleet, John Schwartz, and seated, Edgar Raffensperger, all of Gettysburg.



## CONVENTION BANQUET

Counter-clockwise around table, starting at right: Brother Aiken, American; Brother Wenderoth, George Washington, and Mrs. Wenderoth; Brother Muecke, C.C.N.Y., and Mrs. Muecke; Brother Hunt, Akron; Carol Jean Brown, Dallas, Texas; Elinor Jepson, Melrose, Mass.; Henry Temple, Swarthmore; and Harry Spaulding, American U.

- (d) The University of Massachusetts for the use of its campus for our Memorial Service.
  - (e) The Gray Line for its effective transportation.
  - (f) President Marsh, Dr. Rudisill, and Brother Rand for their stimulating and inspiring addresses.
  - (g) Brother Downing and his convention committee for work lavished on preparation for the convention.
  - (h) Brother and Mrs. John Pfeiffer for arranging dates for our members.
  - (i) Brother Foster for his contributions to our program.
  - (j) Miss Ruth Sawyer for her gracious presence at our convention.
  - (k) The Epsilon Deuteron trio and Rho Deuteron quartet for their musical contributions.
  - (l) Brother Brown for our new song, "Phi Sigs, on the March."
  - (m) Brothers Brown, Schoening, Watts, and William N. Zimmerman for their efficient management of our convention program.
  - (n) The Misses Helen Mamula and Leone Levendis for expediting the business of our convention.
2. Resolved that we instruct our secretary to convey our appreciation, as expressed in the resolution above, by placing it in appropriate form in writing.
  3. Resolved that Ralph Evans, Omicron





Gettysburg Quartet with Ruth Sawyer. Left to right — Don Hemperly, Sid Ehrhart, Ruth Sawyer, Al Rudisill, and Ed Raffensperger.

(M.I.T.) '48 be sent a congratulatory cable for placing second in the Firefly Class at the Olympic Games being held in England.

THE convention recessed at 10:15 to enable the holding of an undergraduate round table conference under the chairmanship of Regional Director Bruce C. Bean, and a chapter adviser round table conference under the chairmanship of Regional Director D. R. Collins. Brother Bean was assisted by Director at Large Haven Falconer, and Brother Collins was assisted by Regional Directors Barrett Fuchs, Franklin C. Palm, and Director at Large Ralph J. Watts.

The undergraduate conference discussed the length of term of chapter officers and the frequency of elections. The remuneration of chapter officers was also discussed, and it was found that the treasurer and house manager were most frequently the only officers receiving remuneration. The financial relation of married active brothers with the chapter also came in for discussion. The undergraduates at this conference also discussed the initial fee charged by the various chapters and the amount paid to the national fraternity, which is known as the Grand Chapter tax.

Twenty-nine chapter advisers attended their round table conference. At the

meeting it was brought out that an adviser's responsibility to his chapter is five-fold, namely:

1. Financial
2. Administrative (to see that all officers carry out their duties properly)
3. With respect to scholarship
4. With respect to housing (to see that the house is properly maintained and that payments and insurance premiums are taken care of)
5. Social (to encourage activities and develop leadership)

Brother Brown spoke on the second point, and Brother Watts spoke on the subject of scholarship.

THE first order of business at the Saturday afternoon session of the convention was to receive the report of the chairman of the undergraduate conference and the report of the chairman of the chapter adviser conference. This was followed by a report of the nominations committee. Following the reports certain nominations for membership on the Court of Honor were made from the floor of the convention. The brothers placed in nomination by the nominating committee for membership on the Council, which is the board of directors of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, were unanimously elected and are as follows: Herbert L. Brown, Phi (Swarthmore) '16, President; Donald G. Downing, Epsilon Deuteron (W.P.I.) '26, Carl F. Chronister, Rho Deuteron (Gettysburg) '35, W. Barrett Fuchs, Epsilon Triton (American) '32, D. R. Collins, Gamma Deuteron (Iowa State) '17, Franklin C. Palm, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) Grad., and Bruce C. Bean, Theta Deuteron (Oregon State) '22, Regional Directors; and R. Haven Falconer, Tau (Dartmouth) '39 and Ralph J. Watts, Alpha (Massachusetts) '07, Directors at Large.

The successful candidates elected to membership on the Court of Honor are



as follows: William F. Wood, Xi (St. Lawrence) '10; Don A. Hamilton, Epsilon Deuteron (W.P.I.) '11; William A. McIntyre, Mu (Pennsylvania) '04; William Ellis Zimmerman, Lambda (Geo. Washington) '23; Raymond G. Lafean, Mu (Pennsylvania) '19; and Frank Smith, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '26.

Following these elections National President Herbert L. Brown expressed his appreciation of the confidence in his leadership which the convention demonstrated, and assured the convention that he would do his utmost to further develop and strengthen the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

**N**EXT followed the report of the recommendations committee. The report of this committee was considered and acted upon in sections. In so doing, the convention adopted the following:

1. That Article XIII, Section 1 of the Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa be amended to include in Region I the counties of Otsego and Schoharie.
2. That section (e) of Section 2 of Article XI of the Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa be interpreted to cover the appointment by the Council of such assistants or supervisors as may be recommended by the respective regional directors.
3. That Section 8 of Article XIX of the Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa be amended by inserting between the word "houses" and the word "unincumbered" in the next to the last line of said section the words "and building sites."
4. That in the reprinting of additional rushing folders the Council review this subject toward the end of revising and enlarging such folder.
5. That the question of awarding scholarship cups in each region be referred to the director handling



Epsilon Deuteron Trio with Ruth Sawyer. Left to right — Brothers Logan, Dick, Miss Sawyer, and Brother McMahon.

scholarships.

6. That Section 1 of Article XIX of the Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa be amended by substituting the figure "\$35.00" for the figure "\$25.00," and inserting the words "pledged after August 14, 1948" between the words "membership" and "shall" so that the Bylaw reads, "Section 1. Each candidate for membership, pledged after August 14, 1948, shall pay into the Treasury of the Grand Chapter thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) prior to his initiation."
7. That Section 2 of Article XIX of the Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa be deleted and the following substituted therefor: "Section 2. Pledges and members of the First and Second Degrees shall pay undergraduate dues of \$2.50 per month for the months of October through May of each academic year, from which undergraduate dues income the Council shall pay \$1.25 per undergraduate during the aforesaid months of the academic year into the Life Membership Fund until such time as the Life Membership for each member reaches \$30, when it is considered as fully paid. Upon becoming a fully paid Life Member the under-

graduate dues of such member shall be reduced to \$1.25 per month. The SIGNET shall be sent for life to Endowment Donors and to every initiate pledged after October 1, 1945 who shall have paid a total of \$30 to the Life Membership Fund either in accordance with this section of these Bylaws or in accordance with Section 3 of Article XIX of the 1948 Bylaws. The Council may draw upon the Life Membership Fund for SIGNET support at the rate of \$1 per year and per paid-up Life Member as defined in Section 3 of Article XIX of the 1948 Bylaws, and shall defray the cost of administering the Life Membership Fund out of said fund."

8. That Section 3 of Article XIX of

the Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa be deleted and the following substituted therefor: "Section 3. All installments due on Life Membership accounts from undergraduates not enrolled in college and from alumni shall be collected by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Grand Chapter directly, and when such installments are not remitted on the due date thereof, the Secretary-Treasurer shall apply the installments previously paid by such initiate on his Life Membership account to the alumni dues account of the Grand Chapter at the rate of \$4 per year as said initiate's alumni dues until said initiate's Life Membership account is exhausted, unless before said time said initiate pays



CONVENTION BANQUET

Counter-clockwise, starting in right foreground: Mrs. Richards; Brother Richards, Adviser at Akron; Brother Johnson, delegate from Eastern Washington; Brother Johnson, Adviser from Eastern Washington; Brothers Otley, Miller, Schwartz, Clemens, Nemeschy, Lescalleet, Braun, and Bretz, Gettysburg.



## CONVENTION BANQUET

Counter-clockwise, starting with Past President William F. Wood; Brothers Logan, Dick, and McMahon, Worcester; Miss Leone Levendis, Secretary to Earl F. Schoening; Brother Spaulding, Montana Chapter Adviser; Brother Don Crieger, Union; Brother Harry Crieger, former Council member; Brother Atchison, Kentucky Adviser; Mrs. Atchison; William E. Zimmerman, Court of Honor; and Mrs. Zimmerman.

all arrears due on his Life Membership account, in which case said initiate's Life Membership account shall be restored."

9. That Article XIX of the Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa be amended by adding the following Section 4: "It shall be the responsibility of the treasurer of the local chapter to keep an accurate account of Life Membership payments made by each undergraduate, on forms furnished by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Grand Chapter, and to report to the National Secretary-Treasurer the names of each such person who has paid his Life Membership in full or has ceased to affiliate with the active chapter for any reason."
10. That Article XIX of the Bylaws of

the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa be amended by adding the following Section 5: "The Secretary-Treasurer of the Grand Chapter shall be authorized to transfer such amounts included in the Life Membership Fund as credits from pledges who never become initiated, to the current dues account upon notification of termination of pledge."

11. That the Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa be further amended so that said Bylaws printed under the 1948 cover and amended so as to exclude typographical and printing errors either of commission or omission and as amended by the 1948 convention together with necessary renumbering of sections be enacted as the By-

laws of the Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

FROM this report it can readily be seen that the recommendations committee was a very hard-working committee, and many thanks are due to its capable chairman, Brother Arthur L. Atchison, chapter adviser of Phi Deuteron Chapter, and his most able assistants, who were: William Gott of Delta, Ingram B. Brusletten of Beta Deuteron Chapter, John Langer of Omega, and Lloyd B. Ludford of Lambda Deuteron, chapter advisers, and James Adams, Epsilon Deuteron, Jerrald Bedenk, Gamma, Paul Brothers, Alpha Deuteron, David Dodson, Xi Deuteron, Theodore Klimaszewski, Eta Deuteron, and Dean Rumburg, Chi Deuteron, undergraduate delegates.

The personnel of the resolutions committee was as follows: Charles Adamec, chapter adviser of Beta Triton, chairman; Arthur Reents, Nu Triton, Dr. Frederick J. Cox, Omicron Deuteron, George Grinnell, Nu Deuteron, and Nat Giustina, Psi Deuteron, chapter advisers; and Robert Grott, Omicron, Carl Gehron, Pi, William Aikin, Epsilon Triton, Lloyd Elliott, Theta Triton, Charles Price, Kappa Triton, and Paul Rhodes, Zeta Triton, undergraduate delegates.

The members of the nominating committee were: Tom C. Spaulding, chapter adviser of Mu Deuteron, chairman; Philip Damiani, Nu, Philip Schaefer, Eta, Fred Robbins, Delta Triton, and Paul Jones, Omega Deuteron, chapter advisers; and William Tunis, Alpha, Henry Temple, Phi, Wilson Lewis, Omicron Triton, and Arthur Chenoweth, Theta Deuteron, undergraduate delegates.

President Herbert Brown was chairman of the ritual committee. The following brothers served on the committee: D. R. Collins, Gamma Deuteron; Richard Stoeltzing, Nu; Julius Powell, Phi

Deuteron; Robert Reed, Beta Triton; Harold Adler, Delta Deuteron; George Richards, Eta Triton; and Ralph Reichhold, Omega.

THE convention banquet held on Saturday night matched, and in the opinion of many, surpassed the beauty of the Moonlight Girl Dinner Dance in its setting. Here again we would be remiss if we did not comment upon the beautiful floral decorations which added so much to the tables already adorned by the magenta colored fruit cup icers perfectly matching the magenta of the magenta and silver banquet programs set up at each banquet plate.

Ladies' banquet favors were beautifully crested and engraved perfume atomizers and mens' banquet favors were handsomely embossed billfolds fitted with a gold engraved plate describing the occasion. Dinner music was by the Sam Eisen trio.

We can, without reservation, write that it was the most gorgeous banquet ever held in the history of Phi Sigma Kappa. Add to that the height in culinary achievement of the Somerset's perfect banquet cuisine — no finer place could be provided for the final meeting of the greatest of all Phi Sigma Kappa conventions.

Again the Rho Deuteron quartet outdid themselves in their renditions of "September Song" and "Kentucky Babe." The Epsilon Deuteron trio joined them in "Let's Give a Toast" and other Phi Sig songs.

THE banquet address by Cedric Foster, anticipated throughout the convention, met the fullest expectations of all at the banquet. His subject, "Problems of the Postwar World" is one which is uppermost in the minds of all of us, especially our undergraduate delegates. We know of no one better qualified to speak on this important subject than

Brother Foster, Tau (Dartmouth) '24, who is news analyst for the Mutual Broadcasting System and the Yankee Network. He is the first day-time news commentator on the Mutual Network, coming to Mutual in October 1940. He has had the same radio time, 2 P.M. Eastern, whether daylight or standard, ever since he has been broadcasting. His sponsors number 127 (the second largest number of sponsors for any one program in the radio business) in the same number of cities, and he is heard on about 300 radio stations, Monday through Friday, in every state of the Union.

Brother Foster has traveled more than 200,000 miles in this country on speaking engagements, and in April 1945 he went to the Pacific as a war correspondent. He traveled 40,000 miles in the Pacific, spending a month on the aircraft carrier, *Yorktown* off Okinawa and Kyushu. His Pacific war travels also included the Philippines, Guam, Ulithi, Iwo, Johnston, and Enewitok. From the viewpoint of understanding we know of no one more capable of speaking to the undergraduates, for as an undergraduate he visited 28 of the then-existing 32 chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa.

HE delivered his address in the dramatic but sincere style that only Cedric could do. He pointed out to his audience that you could not approach the problems of Europe intelligently unless you became a student of geopolitics, and he urged the undergraduates to become such students, for it was upon their shoulders, he contended, that the task of bringing order out of chaos in our postwar world must necessarily devolve since those of his generation were already too old. Their remaining time was too short in which to accomplish the enormous task ahead. He emphasized that it made little difference what race or nationality of people occupied a particular area — the history of that particular territory

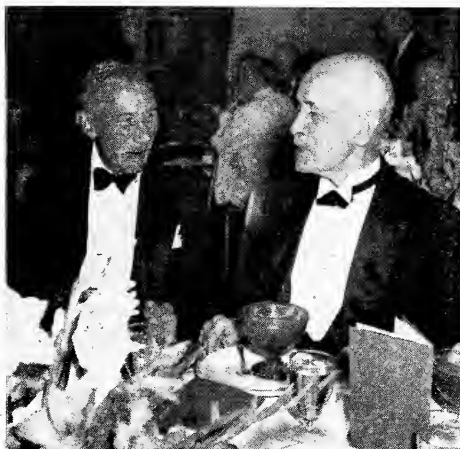
would read the same. For example, under the same conditions which prevail today, if Palestine were inhabited by the English and Scotch, or French and Polish, or the Americans and Canadians, you would find their behavior the same as that of the Jews and Arabs. He maintained that the important factor in the political actions of a people is the dependence upon physical environment.

Cedric also pointed out that enabling all peoples to live did not require of you as an individual the surrender of all rights personal to you; that choice and discrimination were not the same thing; that you, as an individual, certainly had a right to choose your friends, and that the exercise of this right was not intolerance. He illustrated this point most deftly with a story of his hour-visit with Douglas MacArthur in the Philippines on the night of July 4, 1945 during which visit MacArthur outlined in some detail his occupation plans for Japan, although not labeling them as such. He quoted MacArthur as saying that he always had the right to choose his own friends, and that he considered the late Manuel Quezon of the Philippines his best friend.

In conclusion he stressed the point that postwar problems were definitely not confined to Europe, Africa, or Asia — the Americas had them also, and the United States was certainly no exception; that the threat of Communism in the United States was not unreal; that as long as you permit a group to suffer economically and placed within the care and custody of that group the education of the youth of today you were inviting Communism. He contended that the remuneration of the teaching profession today was ridiculously low, and that it was no surprise to him that some in that profession should embrace Communism in the belief that it might be an escape from their own plight, and thus be a willing agent for the spread of such beliefs. He charged the undergraduates

with the responsibility for their accepting the task of properly preparing themselves so that they be adequately equipped to assist in the solution of these perplexing problems.

Following Brother Foster's speech, National President Herbert L. Brown, on behalf of the Grand Chapter, presented Sally Pfeiffer with a beautiful pearl necklace as a gesture of appreciation of



Past Presidents William A. McIntyre  
and George J. Vogel.

her management of the women's program of the convention. It was then Brother Brown's turn to be surprised. Regional Director D. R. Collins, on behalf of the Grand Chapter, presented Brother Brown with a Phi Sigma Kappa badge set with diamonds instead of pearls except for the center jewel of the Phi, which was a ruby, the official badge of National Presidents or past National Presidents of the Grand Chapter.

**P**UBLICITY for this convention commenced with articles in several of the Boston papers the Sunday preceding the convention, and continued daily thereafter for the duration of the convention in the Boston, Worcester, Springfield, and Amherst newspapers. Newspaper photographers were present at all of the convention social events, as well

as the initial convention session open to the public.

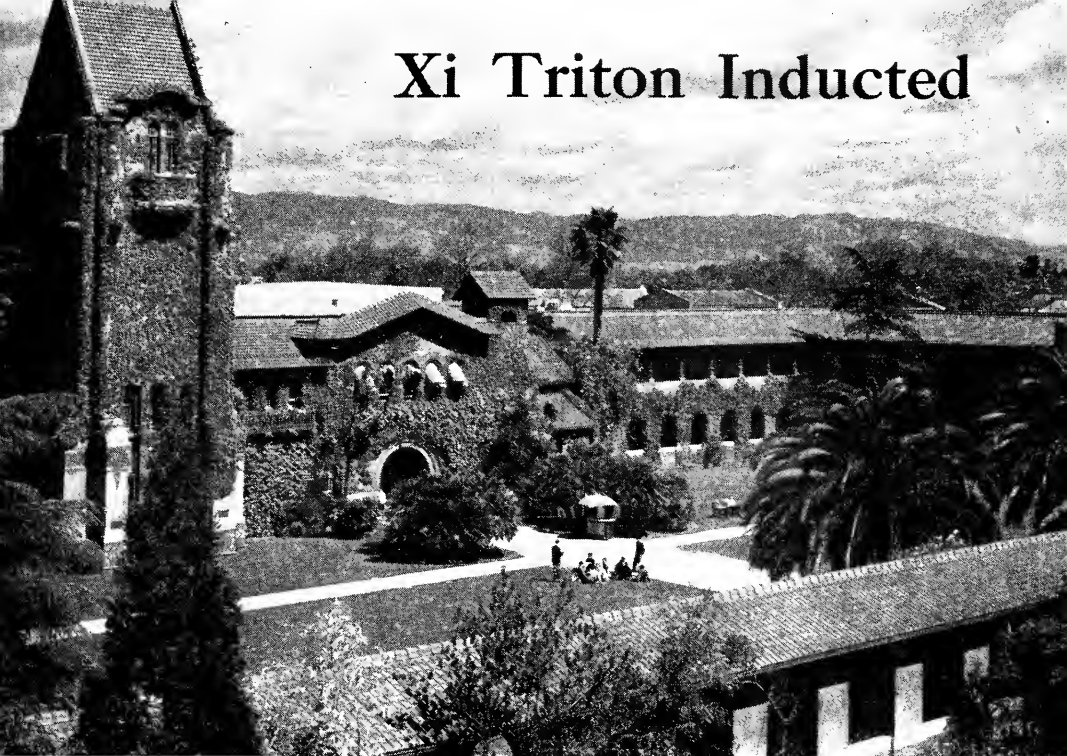
It was a great day, so to speak, for all Phi Sigs whose privilege it was to be present, particularly those undergraduates present; but we wonder if it were not especially thrilling to two of the several past presidents present at this convention. We refer to the two "deans" of this select group — Brother George Vogel, Gamma (Cornell) '91, president of the national fraternity from 1896-1898 and again from 1904-1912, and Brother William A. McIntyre, Mu (Pennsylvania) '04, who was president of the Grand Chapter 1912-1914. It was wonderful to have Brother McIntyre continue his active role at the convention, and to see Brother Vogel absorb the proceedings, business as well as social, with all the eagerness of the undergraduates.

The Diamond Jubilee Convention of Phi Sigma Kappa, celebrating our 75th year, the never-to-be-forgotten convention, became history with the stroke of 11.

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# Xi Triton Inducted

## At San Jose

By CHARLES L. BABCOCK, *Omega (California)* '48

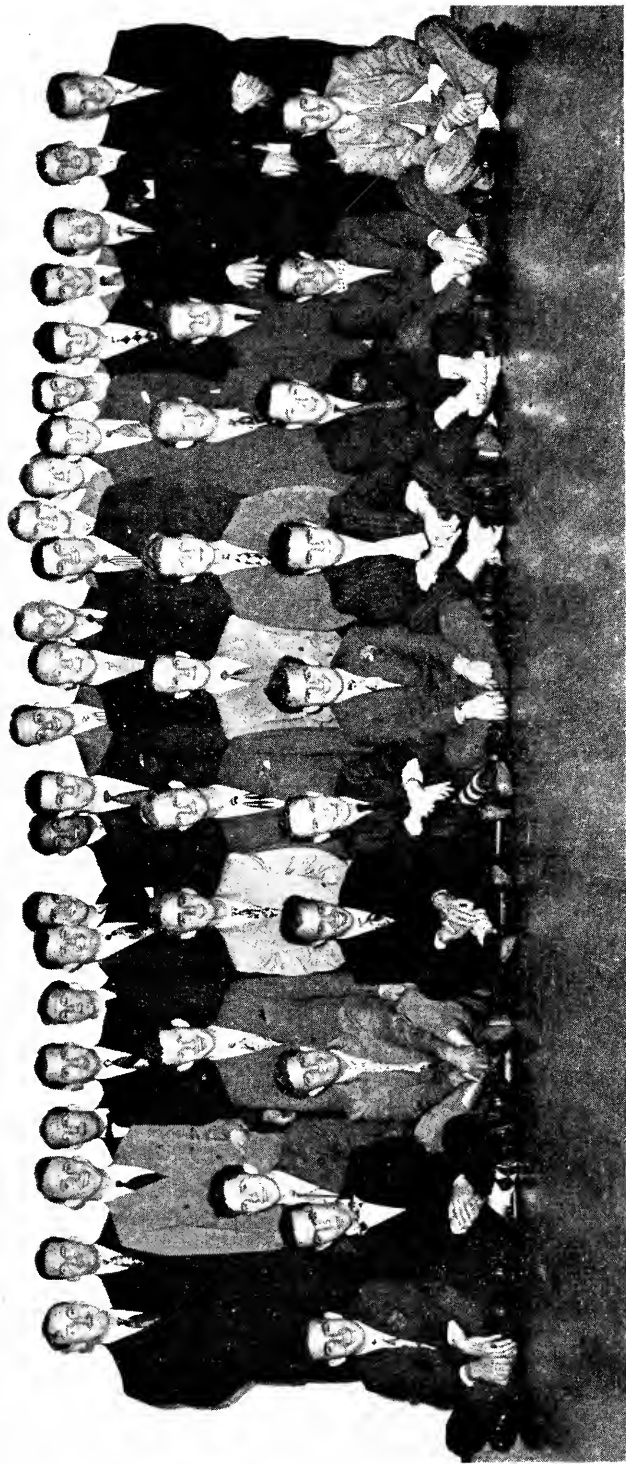
It has long been one of the principal concerns of Dr. Franklin C. Palm, Director of Region V of Phi Sigma Kappa, to strengthen the national fraternity and the region through expansion into certain increasingly important colleges and universities of the West Coast. This farsighted policy first bore fruit with the induction of Kappa Triton Chapter at Fresno State College, Fresno, California, on May 31, 1947. Encouraged by the success of this flourishing new chapter, Brother Palm continued his careful evaluation of western colleges to determine which institutions offered the greatest potential toward the development of a strong and valuable chapter of our national fraternity.

Northern California, which has developed universities of the reputation and importance of Stanford and the University of California, is now witnessing the

rapid growth in size and scope of another institution of great promise, San Jose State College. San Jose, situated at the southern tip of San Francisco Bay, and principal city of the fertile and pleasant Santa Clara Valley, has in recent years developed as one of the population centers of California. San Jose State College, an educational institution of fine reputation and high standing, has been expanded to meet the increasing demands of the city and the Santa Clara Valley. Despite its rapid growth, the college has yielded nothing of its high academic standards, continuing to attract some of the best men in the West into the various professorial fields.

Naturally an institution flourishing in this manner fostered a number of strong local fraternities and sororities of outstanding membership and fine principles. It was inevitable that the progressive and





# CHARTER MEMBERS OF XI TRITON

1st. row — (left to right) Phil Piazza, Jack Fourcade, Fred Severo, Merle Fagundes, Charles Carlson, Don Gifford, Alfred Pinard, Cecil Perry, Pat Felice, Angelo Centenni.

2nd. row — Daniel Week, Carl Baker, Scott Chestnut, Richard Mason, Emil Anderson, Arnold Steiner, Harold Gluth, Barney Kukolsky.

3rd. row — Dr. Cyril Bryner, Glen Steward, John Queiser, Norm Cockshaw, Al C. Smith, Don Schafer, Luke Angelich, William Wardrup, John Jackson, Mr. Robert Tremaine, Mr. William James.

4th. row — Allen Murphy, Joseph Ashworth, Robert Waring, Bob Agnew, James Cruz, Richard Filmore, Eugene Wilkinson, Joe Thomason, Larold Gire, Louis Gado, Willis Stone, George Buchring.



forward-looking national fraternities should turn their eyes to San Jose as a logical and valuable prospect for the establishment of a new chapter. The new field proved a fertile one. At this writing all but one of the local sororities have completed affiliation with a prominent national, and the remaining local is committed. Three national fraternities, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Theta Chi, and Phi Sigma Kappa, have established chapters, and the greatest number of the remaining locals are committed to other national fraternities.

Late in 1947, Brother Palm, with the initial help of Brother William F. Wood,

member of the Court of Honor and present Mayor of the city of Piedmont, first began an investigation of the potential of San Jose State College. It was soon clear to him that the institution was a *must* on the expansion program. Then, over a period of four or five months, he proceeded to contact, talk with, and evaluate a number of the local groups. Invaluable and enthusiastic assistance was given at every call by the brothers of Omega and Nu Deuteron Chapters, many of whom made frequent trips to San Jose to assist in the meetings. After his arrival in California in late February, Brother William N. Zimmerman, Field



BROTHER PALM CONGRATULATES BROTHER BOB AGNEW, PRESIDENT OF  
THE NEW XI TRITON CHAPTER.

(Left to right) Gordon Stewart, Omega; Arnold Thompson, Kappa Triton Adviser; Alan Murphy Xi Triton; Tom James, Omega Adviser; Bob Agnew, Xi Triton; Jerald Thompson, Psi Deuteron; George Grinnell, Nu Deuteron Adviser; Franklin C. Palm, Director, Region V; William N. Zimmerman, Rho Deuteron, Field Secretary; William F. Wood, Xi, member of the Court of Honor; William James, Xi Triton Adviser.

Secretary of Phi Sigma Kappa played an important and untiring role in these negotiations. The final choice was a particularly happy one, for it brought into Phi Sigma Kappa a young, vital and promising local fraternity.

Gamma Gamma Gamma Fraternity, popularly known as Tri-Gamma, was originally organized with the intention of petitioning for admission into a specific national fraternity. The five organizers, Angelo Centani, Harold Gluth, Norman Cockshaw, Alan Murphy and Daniel Weck, gathered together a group of active and interested men and chartered the group with 12 charter members. Further contact with the national fraternity, accomplished some months later, after Tri-Gamma had become a going concern, revealed certain highly restrictive membership clauses in the national's books. This proved to be directly in con-

flict with the basic aims and principles of Tri-Gamma, and negotiations with the national were terminated with the decision that the local should remain such.

Almost a year later, Tri-Gamma had become one of the leading fraternities on the campus. Known and respected as an organization of sound principle and active membership, its growth in size and importance was reminiscent of that of the college itself. After initial contacts had been established, Brother Palm, the officers of Omega Chapter and the officers of Tri-Gamma met at the Omega house in Berkeley early in May, 1948, and following prolonged discussion the Tri-Gamma leaders indicated their organization's desire to petition for admission to Phi Sigma Kappa. Within a week the material necessary to complete the petition had been collected, and the petition prepared and sent in under the



MUSIC BUILDING



## INDUCTION TEAM

(Left to right) Harry Meeks, Kappa Triton, Vice-President; Ralph Reichhold, Omega, Sentinel; Mel Canfield, Kappa Triton, Secretary; Charles Babcock, Omega, Treasurer; Bill Campbell, Nu Deuteron, President; and Ev Young, Nu Deuteron, Inductor.

able direction of Brother Zimmerman. Upon receipt of the approval of the national fraternity, plans were completed for the initiation and induction of the chapter to take place at San Jose on the 22nd and 23rd of May.

On Saturday, May 22, representatives of the Grand Chapter, members of the induction team, and officers of Tri-Gamma met for lunch at 2 P.M. at the Sainte Claire Hotel in San Jose. During luncheon plans for the ensuing two days were outlined and discussed. Brother Palm supervised the preparations, assisted by Brothers Wood and Zimmerman. The initiation team was drawn from the three nearest chapters, with Brother Bill Campbell of Nu Deuteron acting as president,

Brother Harry Meeks of Kappa Triton as vice-president, Brother Mel Canfield of Kappa Triton as secretary, Brother Charles Babcock of Omega as treasurer, Brother Ralph Reichhold of Omega as sentinel, and Brother Ev Young of Nu Deuteron as inductor.

Initiation ceremonies started in the Spartan Room of the Sainte Claire Hotel at 4 P.M. Bob Agnew, president of Tri-Gamma, was the first initiate, immediately followed by the officers and honorary members of the fraternity. At midnight adjournment until 1 P.M. the following day was announced, and the new brothers acted as hosts to the visitors, introducing them to the night life of San Jose.

On Sunday, May 23rd, initiation was continued in the Students' Union Building on the campus. The initiation of new members was completed by 2:30, at which time Brother Wood took over as president and installed the officers of the chapter, Bob Agnew as president, Eugene Wilkinson, vice-president, John Queiser, secretary, Alan Murphy, treasurer, Don Schafer, sentinel, and Pat Felice, inductor. As regional vice-president of Phi Sigma Kappa, Brother Palm formally proclaimed the induction of Xi Triton Chapter. He then called upon Brother Wood, who instructed the new chapter in the ritual of the meeting and such other secret work as was appropriate. Present for the installation were numerous representatives of Omega, Nu Deuteron, Omega Deuteron, and Kappa Triton Chapters.

The induction banquet for Xi Triton began at 7 p.m. in the Spartan Room of the Sainte Claire. After a delicious dinner, Brother Palm, as toastmaster, addressed a few words of welcome to the new members of Phi Sigma Kappa, their wives, dates and guests. He then introduced the honored guests and the representatives of the various chapters present.

Dr. Paul M. Pitman, dean of men at San Jose State College and long-time friend of Tri-Gamma, expressed the pleasure of the college at the fraternity's national affiliation. He spoke of the new adventure involved in the affiliation for both Tri-Gamma and the institution, and drew a parallel between the new status of the fraternity and the expanding interests of the college, closing with his personal and official good wishes to the new chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Dr. Frederick E. Graham, professor of history and faculty adviser of the local SAE chapter, and who had rendered invaluable service to Brother Palm in his work at San Jose, extended his fraternity's welcome and pledge of cooperation, spoke of his college work under "Doc" Palm

before "one of the recent world wars," and in humorous vein offered a few words of well-received advice.

Other honored guests introduced were: Thomas Dusek, Theta Chi, president of the Interfraternity Council; Miss Vivian Brizee, Alpha Phi, representing Intersorority Society; George Milias, president, California Zeta Chapter, SAE; Brother William N. Zimmerman, PSK field secretary; and Jerald Thompson, Psi Deuteron '41, attorney at law.

Representing chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa: Brother Dwight Morrow, Beta Triton; Brother Jim Hodges, vice-president, Omega Deuteron; Brother Arnold Thompson, adviser for Kappa Triton; Brother Grigg, Mu Deuteron; Brother George Grinnell, adviser for Nu Deuteron; and Brother Tom James, an adviser for Omega.

After the presentation of the initiation team, Brothers William James, Xi Triton adviser, Cyril Bryner, Xi Triton faculty member, and Robert Tremaine, Xi Triton, secretary of Santa Clara Chamber of Commerce, acknowledged introductions. Finally Brother Bob Agnew, president of Xi Triton, expressed the appreciation of his chapter to Brother Palm and the representatives of Phi Sigma Kappa who had participated in the initiation and installation ceremonies, and spoke with confidence of a successful and progressive future for the chapter.

Phi Sigma Kappa has made another important stride forward with the inclusion of this fine and youthful chapter at an institution of ever-increasing promise. The enthusiasm and activity already displayed by Xi Triton Chapter are portents of even greater things to come.

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**Mr. Robert (Red) Thompson** spoke on "The Other Fellow's Viewpoint" at the Akron Club's first meeting this year, October 7. Mr. Thompson has spent 23 years in foreign service for the Goodyear Company.

# Zeta Xi of Davis Inducted As Omicron Triton

By CHARLES L. BABCOCK, *Omega (California)* '48

The University of California, an institution in every consideration worthy of its state, is the eloquently proud possessor of some eight campuses and branches, extending from Davis in the North to La Jolla in the South. Included in this array are the main campuses at Berkeley and Los Angeles, a liberal arts college at Santa Barbara, and a medical school, an observatory, an institute of oceanography, a citrus experimental station, and a college of agriculture. The main campus of the university, at Berkeley, is the home of Phi Sigma Kappa's oldest western chapter, Omega, established there in 1909.

The population movement into California in the last 25 years has been phenomenal. Especially during and since World War II, thousands have entered the Golden State with the intention of permanent residence. California legislators, faced with the problem of providing educational facilities for a constantly increasing population, have expanded what is admitted to be one of the finest public school systems of the country, and have enlarged and strengthened the already tremendous state university.

One of the principal campuses of the University of California is that of its College of Agriculture at Davis, near the state capital, Sacramento. Although originally established to serve only the needs of agricultural education, the Davis campus was gradually expanded to include departments of letters and science fields, and a four-year curriculum was provided. At length, when the college was enrolling over 2000 students, the Regents of the University determined that the Davis campus should be expanded even further to become a University of California at

Davis. This project, which will greatly enlarge the scope of the institution, and which has occasioned an extended building program, is currently under way, and work has been started on several of the required new buildings.

Dr. Franklin C. Palm, professor of modern European history in the University of California at Berkeley, and Director of Region V of Phi Sigma Kappa, had long considered the Davis campus as high on the list of institutions offering promise for the establishment of strong and worthwhile chapters of the national fraternity, realizing that in all probability great things were in store for that branch of the university which would increase not only its size but also its scope and influence. Brother Palm had made observation of the various local fraternities, and when the announcement of the expansion program at Davis was made by the College of Agriculture, he determined that the time was ripe for definite action, since several other national fraternities were showing signs of positive interest in Davis, and since here was an institution which could easily support a strong, active, and extremely valuable chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Without question that fraternity which occupied top priority on Brother Palm's evaluation list was Zeta Xi. Founded in 1911, possessor of an influential and widespread alumni group, Zeta Xi boasted an active and aggressive membership including many of the leaders in campus affairs and athletics. A strong faculty and honorary membership supported the fraternity in every way, and an attractive house added further to a group already known for an outstanding membership. Should Zeta Xi affiliate with Phi Sigma Kappa,

the national would not only gain the honor of being the first national social fraternity on campus, but also of having the best chapter on campus.

During the negotiations for a new chapter at San Jose State College, Brother Palm learned from Brother Gordon Stewart, an Omegan currently attending San Jose State and actively assisting in the expansion program there, that the latter's brother was president of Zeta Xi Fraternity at Davis. Before the week was out, necessary arrangements were made for a group of Phi Sigs to meet with the Zeta Xi members. Representing Phi Sigma Kappa at this initial meeting were Brother Palm, Brother William F. Wood, member of the Court of Honor, Brother William N. Zimmerman, field secretary, and Brothers Charles Babcock and Ralph Reichhold, president and inductor, respectively, of Omega Chapter.

Contacts were continued for a period of several weeks, during which time the brothers of Omega Chapter and the members of Zeta Xi struck up a friendship remarkable for its spontaneity and its depth. Omega entertained several delegations from Zeta Xi, and arranged for them to talk with representatives of many of the other nationals on the Berkeley campus. Finally Jim Stewart, president of Zeta Xi, indicated to Brother Palm that the undergraduate chapter was prepared to petition, but that a final meeting with the alumni had been arranged, and requested Phi Sig representation at that meeting. Brothers Palm, Zimmerman, and Babcock met at the Zeta Xi house at Davis with representatives of the active alumni, faculty and honorary membership, and after a long and thorough discussion, Zeta Xi voted to petition for admission into Phi Sigma Kappa. The petition was prepared and submitted under the capable supervision of Brother Zimmerman, and the national gave the request prompt and favorable consideration. Initiation and induction plans were made

for Thursday and Friday, May 27-8, at Davis.

Informal headquarters for the induction participants were the El Rancho Hotel at Sacramento. Here on May 27 the Phi Sig representatives convened: Brothers Palm, Wood, and Zimmerman, Brother Les Schwimley, Omega (California) '22, and the induction team, Brother Babcock, Omega as president, Brother Bill Horton, Eta Deuteron (Nevada) vice-president, Brother Bob Calvert, Eta Deuteron, secretary, Brother Ev Young, Nu Deuteron (Stanford), treasurer, Brother Bill Campbell, Nu Deuteron, sentinel, and Brother John Toellner, Omega, inductor. After lunch at the Zeta Xi house and an afternoon of preparation, initiation was started at 7:30 at the Masonic Temple, Davis. Four recent alumni of Zeta Xi were among the first initiates. At midnight the ceremonies were adjourned, and a midnight supper was held at the El Rancho.

Initiation, resumed Friday at 1:30, was followed by the installation of officers of the chapter by Brother Zimmerman. Installed as president was Larry Harris, as vice-president, Dick Emigh, as secretary, Rick Pearson, as treasurer, Dick Jones, as sentinel, Rees Gould, and as inductor, Jerry Witt. Brother Palm in his capacity as Director of Region V, Phi Sigma Kappa, proclaimed the induction of Omicron Triton Chapter, and the meeting was closed with the instruction of the new brothers by Brother Wood in appropriate ritual. A pleasant addition to the initiation ceremonies had been the necessarily brief visit of three representatives of Xi Triton Chapter, which had been inducted just one week before at San Jose State College. Under stress of college work, Brothers Don Schaffer, Lou Gado and Norm Cockshaw remained only a few hours, but were heartily welcomed by their new brothers of Omicron Triton Chapter.

At the induction banquet that evening

in the banquet hall of the Masonic Temple, representatives of several chapters gathered with the Omicron Triton brothers to celebrate the occasion. Large delegations were present from Omega Chapter, which sent 20 brothers, Nu Deuteron, Kappa Triton, and the Alumni Association of San Francisco. Mr. J. Price Gittinger, assistant dean of the College of Agriculture, and honorary member of the Zeta Xi Fraternity, acted as toastmaster, introducing a number of distinguished guests and speakers.

Dr. Knowles A. Ryerson, dean of the College of Agriculture, extended the institution's welcome to Phi Sigma Kappa and warm encouragement to its new chapter. He spoke of the fraternity as one of the hopes of the expanding campus, and closed with congratulations to the new Phi Sigs on their national affiliation.

Dr. J. F. Wilson, professor of animal husbandry; a long-time friend, valued associate, and loyal supporter of Zeta Xi, and a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, made a few remarks about the history of Zeta Xi, and closed with an eloquent and moving appraisal of the fraternity system in general.

Brother Leslie Schwimley, Omega '22, prominent Sacramento businessman, welcomed the new chapter into the fraternity, pledged alumni support, and emphasized the vital importance of fraternal cooperation.

Brother William F. Wood, Xi '10, past president and now member of the Court of Honor, present Mayor of Piedmont, California, discussed the history and policy of the national fraternity, and stressed the advantages and responsibilities of fraternal affiliation.

Brother Palm, as principal speaker, first read a few of the many letters and telegrams of congratulation to Omicron Triton, including those from National President Herbert L. Brown, Secretary Earl F. Schoening, and First Region Director

Don G. Downing, not to mention those from many of the chapters throughout the country. He expressed his particular pleasure at seeing another branch of the University of California with an established Phi Sig chapter, and indicated the great importance of inter-chapter communication and cooperation. Brother Palm closed his remarks with an expression of his confidence and assurance in the continued and increasing success of the newest chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Toastmaster Gittinger then introduced the induction team, and called upon a number of the representatives of various chapters for response, including George Grinnell, Nu Deuteron adviser, Maury Eppstein, Omega adviser, John Langer, prominent Omega alumnus, Bill Zimmerman, field secretary, Frank Ahlert, secretary of the San Francisco Alumni Association, Bob Calvert of Eta Deuteron, Gordon Stewart of Omega and Xi Triton, Chuck Price, former president and president-elect of Kappa Triton, Jim Beardsley, president of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity at Davis, and finally, Larry Harris, president of Omicron Triton Chapter, who expressed the gratitude of his chapter to all those who had participated in its creation.

Following the banquet the Phi Sigs, old and new, adjourned to the El Rancho Hotel, where the celebration continued in force.

Phi Sigma Kappa, founded at a College of Agriculture, has added now another chapter at such a college. Omicron Triton Chapter comes into the national fraternity with a long and notable history, a prominent and extensive alumni group, a well-established and influential position on its campus, and a young, active, and enthusiastic membership. The national fraternity has gained a chapter of great value, and of even greater promise, and one which already represents in the highest sense the admirable qualities which characterize Phi Sigma Kappa.



# The Installation of Pi Triton

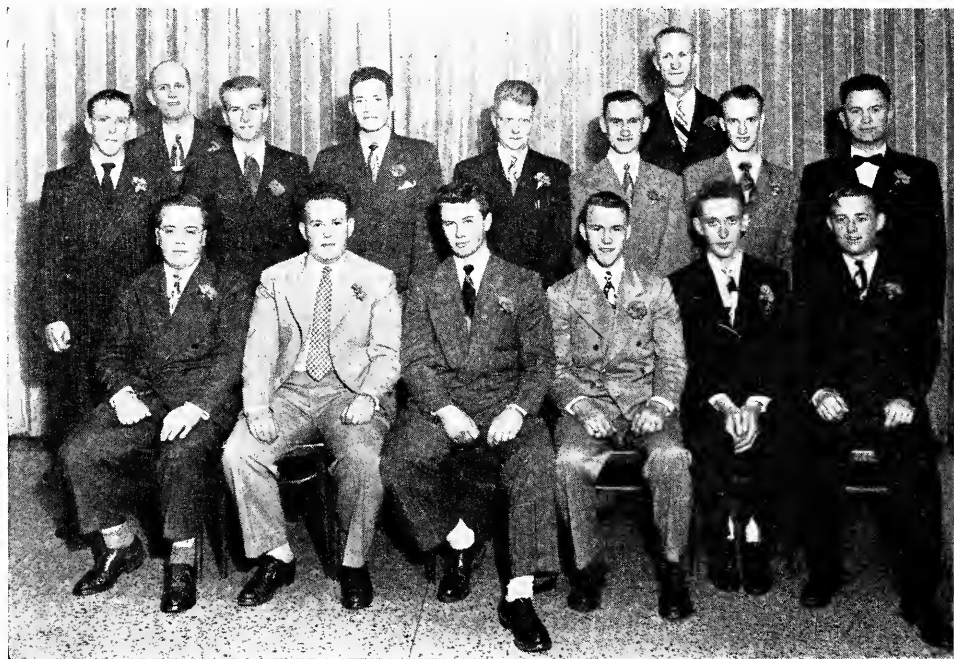
By VINCE RAINIER and ROBERT R. JOHNSON

Pi Triton, the youngest of Phi Sigma Kappa's chapters, was formally installed as a member of Phi Sigma Kappa on June 26 at the Dessert Hotel in Spokane, Washington. Bruce C. Bean, Regional Director of Region Six had charge of the installation of members and honoraries, and was assisted by the induction teams from Chi Deuteron and Lambda Deuteron. Speakers at the induction banquet were: Rev. Slater, an alumnus; Mr. Wolfe, Spokane Alumni Secretary; and Brother Bean. Telegrams which had been received from National President Herbert L. Brown and National Secretary Earl F. Schoening were read. Several parties after the banquet helped to celebrate the occasion.

The Order of Chi Rho, as the local

organization at Eastern Washington College in Cheney, Washington was called, had its origin in the friendship of John Rodney Pullen, Jay Kenneth Long, and Robert Riley, and was organized in 1946. By the time of induction into Phi Sigma Kappa the group had grown to include 14 active brothers.

Chi Rho weathered many rough storms, chief of which was the anti-fraternity sentiment on the campus. At one time serious efforts of the student body were directed toward outlawing Greekletter groups, and prior to the birth of Chi Rho a student election had overwhelmingly defeated the sparsely numbered defendants of the fraternity system. However, through a program of campus projects, publicity, social service,



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high scholarship, and an intelligent educational program with the student body, Chi Rho won the high regard of its fellow students, and the college administration finally recognized the value of the fraternity system.

In March 1947 the executive board of the Order of Chi Rho met in its chapter room on the campus of Eastern Washington College and voted to investigate the possibilities of affiliation with a national fraternity. After much investigation and discussion a feeler was sent to Phi Sigma Kappa, an organization best typifying what the Order of Chi Rho felt was essential to a good fraternity. A return letter from Phi Sigma Kappa national headquarters was a great help. Contact was made with Bruce Bean, Regional Director of Region Five of Phi Sigma Kappa, who, together with Field Secretary William N. Zimmerman, visited Chi Rho.



CHAPTER OFFICERS

Recognition of the fraternity by the college was achieved in the spring of 1948, which made possible the drawing up of a petition to be forwarded to the national headquarters of Phi Sigma Kappa. On June 23, while the council of Chi Rho was holding a meeting in the chapter room, a telegraph message was received notifying Chi Rho of the ap-



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proval of its petition by the expansion committee of Phi Sigma Kappa.

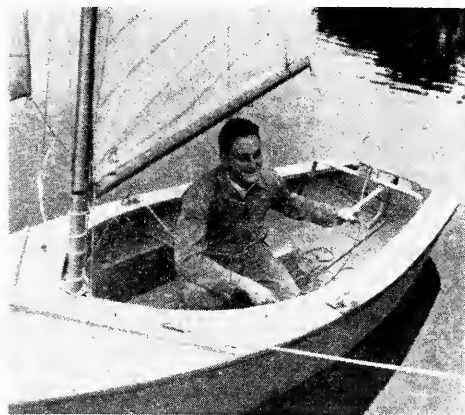
Pi Triton has now rolled up her sleeves

and is building a strong and well-knit chapter to carry on the glory of Phi Sigma Kappa.

## Ralph Evans Places Second In Olympics

By JAMES A. HOOPER, *Omicron (M.I.T.) '50*

Climaxing an enviable list of accomplishments in American intercollegiate sailing, Ralph Evans, Omicron (M.I.T.)



Ralph Evans in the 12-foot Firefly Class dinghy in which he placed second in the Olympics.

'48, this summer placed second in the Olympics, sailing a twelve-foot firefly-class dinghy.

Last May, Evans, representing the M.I.T. Nautical Association of which he was formerly commodore, easily swept the New England elimination held on the Charles River in Boston. At this time Evans, who had not sailed for some five months, had no trouble winning the highly competitive New England division by a large margin.

On June 1 the finals to select the United States representative from the regional winners were held at Larch-

mont, N.Y. Again Evans scored a victory and was named the sole American in the sailing division of the Olympics.

In England Ralph's sailing skill brought him close to the world's dinghy racing championship. When entering the seventh and final race Evans was ahead by a slender one-point margin. During this all-important race a strong wind developed that fouled Evan's jib so that he could not lower it. Elstrom of Denmark sailed on to win both the race and the title as Ralph finished fifth in the race and second in the series.

Evans came to M.I.T. in 1941 and was originally a member of the class of 1945. His Institute schooling was interrupted by service in the Naval Air Corps as an Ensign. He returned to M.I.T. in March of 1946 and graduated from the School of Business and Engineering Administration this June.

At Technology Ralph served Omicron as president of the chapter and as a representative to the Interfraternity Conference where he was on the executive committee. He was captain of the Tech sailing team, always one of the top squads in the nation, and commodore of the Nautical Association at M.I.T., the school's largest activity. In addition to being on national championship Tech sailing squads, Ralph is a former holder of the National Intercollegiate Yacht Racing Championship Award, the Mac-Millan Trophy.

# Oh, Brother!

Have you been wondering why you haven't been getting any mail from Phi Sigma Kappa for a long time? John W. Goodwin Jr., Pennsylvania '09 hadn't heard from the national headquarters for so many years that he stopped in at the office in Chicago last August to ask why — and he found out. A notation on his address card read, "reported deceased July 5, 1939." Who knows, maybe you're dead too, only you don't know it.

August was really Open House at the national headquarters. Dave Comstock, S. California '48, closed out the month by dropping in on his way back to California from the convention — or should I say on his tour of the country. . . That reminds me of three other California conventioners, from the neighboring chapter of Omega. The dates that Mrs. Pfeiffer got them for the Moonlight Girl dinner dance were so terrific that the fellows spent all their money taking them around Boston the rest of the week. Comes time to go back to the land of sunshine and nobody has the money for the gas. Haven't heard from them since, but they should be getting pretty close to Chicago by now.

Most of us slave our lives away to make an honest dollar, but a couple of Phi Sigs who must have a lot of fun bringing home the bacon are Kenneth A. Haines, Purdue '29, an entomologist in the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and Joseph S. Eaton, Pennsylvania '30, assistant supervisor at Arthur Murray's in Detroit. . . And have you read the story about Harry Steenbock, Wisconsin '08 in the September issue of the Reader's Digest?

Note for the football coach at Lehigh: Frederick H. Stillwell, Jr., Nu '36 tells us that he is going to provide Lehigh with the greatest backfield that that university has ever had — Stillwell, Still-

well, Stillwell, and Stillwell (I'll bet there's never a dull moment in that household . . .). It was nice to hear from Joseph S. Whittemore, Alpha '85. Brother Whittemore entered college in 1881, when the fraternity was not quite as large as it is now.

The tallest Phi Sig *must* be Bill Gott, former field secretary. This Delta alumnus is 6 feet 8 inches tall, and if there's someone else who can better that, let me know. . . Larry Longo, Hartwick '48 is president of the student body at Hartwick this year, and it's easy to see why he's so popular. With his personality — he couldn't miss. . . There's one very lucky man in our Rhode Island chapter. His wife is not only *very* attractive and an accomplished pianist, but he doesn't ever have to wait for her to get ready when they go out. She can take a shower, put on her make-up, press her clothes, and dress in nothing-flat.

Did you ever get off a train at a five-minute stop to make a ten-minute telephone call? Our Moonlight Girl did on the way to the convention, and the nasty old train didn't even wait for her. No kidding, it really happened. But she did get to Boston eventually, and it was wonderful having her. And, I might add, Ken Elliott and Gil Dwyer, delegates from Theta Triton and Xi chapters respectively, did a nice job of showing Ruth Sawyer the city of Boston.

This column just wouldn't be complete without the story of the gown with the 70 yards of material. I don't seem to have room for it however, (it's a long story) so ask Helen Mamula to tell you about it some time.



# Boudreau Brings Cleveland First World Series Pennant in Twenty-Eight Years

## *Named Most Valuable Player*

LOU BOUDREAU, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '40, did what no other manager has been able to do at Cleveland in twenty-eight years. He brought Cleveland its first American League Pennant and World Series Championship since 1920. He did it the hard way and we are taking credit from no one when we write that — *he* did it. There is no question but what Bearden, Cleveland rookie pitcher, was the master of the mound, but as was so aptly proved in the 1948 World Series opener in Boston on October 6, no pitcher no matter how good he is can win a ball game unless his team can get some hits. Feller lost the opening game in spite of the fact that he pitched a two-hitter.

When the chips were down, as they were in the first championship play-off ever played in the American League, it was Lou Boudreau who belted out four hits and drew a pass in five appearances at the plate for a perfect day at bat. Lou got the first hit of that famous game — a homer in the first inning; he opened the fourth with a single; he got his second homer of the game in the fifth; he walked in the seventh; and he singled again in the ninth.

What Lou couldn't do with his bat in the World Series opener against Johnny Sain's great pitching, he did with his spectacular play around the keystone sack only to be denied the fruits of that play by Umpire Stewart in the much editorialized erroneous decision at second base. The cameras show clearly that Lou had tagged Masi out as he was sliding back to second base only to have him called safe by Stewart; Masi later scored the only run of the game.

IN commenting on the second World Series game, Rogers Hornsby stated, "But it's an old story . . . as Manager Boudreau goes, so go the Indians. He scored their first run of the series and started the winning rally. He engineered the pick-off play in the first inning which killed a Boston rally that might have nailed Bob Lemon before he could get started. Boudreau launched one double play and took part in another which twice wiped Brave runners off the bags. This was just another case of Boudreau's ability to measure up to any test." Lou got two hits in five times at bat in this game.

Boudreau's double against Johnny Sain's pitching scored Mitchell for the first run in the 2-1 win of the Indians over the Braves in the fourth game of the series. Lou had three official times at bat in this game.

In spite of the fact that he had a busy day in the Sunday rout of the Indians at Cleveland, trying to find a pitcher who could stop the Braves (he used five pitchers in this game), he himself got two hits, one a two-bagger, in four times at bat, thereby collecting one-third of the total Cleveland hits in this game.

In the title-clinching sixth game in Boston on October 11, again it was Lou who started the Indians on their winning way with his double in the third inning scoring Dale Mitchell who had also doubled in that inning. In this game Lou was at bat three official times, giving him .333 for the day. He also figured in two double plays, one in the third inning and one in the sixth.

# INDIANS WIN PENNANT; BEAT RED SOX, 8 TO 3

**T**HOUGH so far we have said little about his World Series fielding, which was without error, he lived up to President Veeck's description of his play — that he plays short, third, and second, part of the time, not to mention left and center fields —.

While piloting the Cleveland Indians to the championship, Boudreau batted .355 to finish second, fourteen percentage points behind Williams, of the Red Sox, who took the crown.

Boudreau's team played to over 2,600,000 cash customers in the Cleveland stadium, a Major League record; the Sunday crowd of 86,288 at the fifth World Series game in Cleveland was also a record crowd for any single game.

The designation "Boudreau's Team" is not new with us. It comes to us from the French language play by play broadcast of the World Series over a Canadian Government Radio Network which referred to the Cleveland Indians as "Boudreau's Team." Brother Boudreau's father was of French ancestry. His mother is of German ancestry. Lou has relatives in Rigaud, Quebec, west of Montreal. Thus, French Canadians claim him as one of their own. Your editor, who took his annual escape from hayfever this year at Tadoussac and Murray Bay in the Province of Quebec, Canada, had little trouble in following "Boudreau's Team" because there were daily newspaper accounts of it whereas there was not too much other baseball reporting except that for the International League.

**T**HAT Sporting News, regarded by all as the baseball paper of the world, should select Lou Boudreau as the outstanding player in the American League, is certainly in conformity with the reams of material that have been written about him this season. As early as mid-June, Grantland Rice referred to Lou Boudreau as "the best all-around, or the most valuable player in both leagues." In writing about Lou on June 12, Rice stated, "The young Cleveland manager has turned in a brilliant job of directing a ball club picked in April to finish fourth, behind the Yankees, Red Sox, and Tigers. "Lou is far and away the best shortstop in either league. And you don't have to listen about Pee Wee Reese, Phil Rizzuto, Vern Stephens, Marty Marion or any others.

"Boudreau has also been a better hitter than Hans Wagner, when old Hans was supreme. The ex-Illinois shortstop has been hovering around .360 most of the year, plus added power."

"Only the most partisan observer would say the best ballplayer of the year to date has been Ted Williams, Stan Musial or Joe DiMaggio. The best ballplayer of the year has been Lou Boudreau by a wide margin — manager, defensive shortstop — offensive star."

## BOUDREAU'S 2 HOME RUNS LEAD ATTACK

Rookie Bearden  
Yields 5 Hits

### Sudden Death

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LONG articles have appeared in *Collier's*, *Saturday Evening Post*, and *Sport*, not to mention many others. The article in the July issue of *Sport* by Ed Fitzgerald is entitled, "Lou Boudreau, Last of the Boy Managers?" This write up, covering twelve pages, is well illustrated in both black and white and in color. He covers the subject of Boudreau exhaustively but interestingly. He practically takes Lou from the cradle to date. He comments on Lou's thrice being named on the mythical Illinois State All-Star Basketball Team. In competition, the Thornton Township High School basketball teams on which Lou played won the State Championship once and were runners-up twice. He commented on Lou's stellar play on the Illini basketball team and upon his being named captain of the team in his junior year.

He dramatically covers the deal between Lou and the Cleveland Indians when he was in college. He covers briefly his one year with Cedar Rapids, Iowa in the Three-Eye League and the storm that occurred in Buffalo when Cleveland called him from the Bisons on August 1, 1939 for shortstop duty with the Indians. In the 115 games Lou played for Buffalo, he batted .331, and was already champion shortstop in anybody's league. Lou has led American League shortstops in fielding ever since 1940, his first full season with Cleveland. He holds the league record of .982 made in 1947.

FITZGERALD covers Lou's managerial troubles in Cleveland. Your editor has followed professional baseball rather closely ever since he ducked grammar school for a bleacher seat at the White Sox Ball Park back in the days of Ed Walsh and Reb Russell, when you could watch baseball in Comiskey Park without being humiliated because you were a White Sox partisan, and he would like to know what Cleveland manager hasn't had trouble. When ye ed, who has always been a great admirer of Lou, as you must have guessed by now, read the announcement of Lou's appointment as manager of the Cleveland Indians, on November 25, 1941, he shared his apprehension for Lou's career with Ralph Watts, another rabid Phi Sig baseball fan, with whom he was riding to New York City to attend the National Interfraternity Conference.

Cleveland had long been known as the most difficult city in which to manage a ball club. The fans were never too easy to please. Pennant starved fans get that way. As Alva Bradley, of the Cleveland Indians, is alleged to have said, "he hires the managers of the Indians and the public fires them." Regardless of which fans say what, or when, never before in the history of baseball had fandom become more exercised, more infuriated, than it did in Cleveland when it became known that President Veeck of the Indians while attending the 1947 World Series announced that Boudreau was on the trading block. Immediately Veeck was the recipient of long distance phone calls. He had to leave the series. The Cleveland fans stormed the Indians' office with letters of protest. Petitions were circulated. The newspapers printed ballots and the fans voted 4-1 against the trading of Lou. It was a vote of confidence from the fans, the like of which no ball player has ever received. The upshot of it was that Lou obtained a two-year contract to manage the Cleveland Indians and, according to the press, President Veeck is supposed to have said that the World Series was won by Cleveland on October 10, 1947, the day Cleveland abandoned any idea of trading Lou Boudreau to the Browns.

According to Fitzgerald, Cleveland would have to pay Lou for the second year of his contract should they desire to relieve him as manager at the end of the first

# INDIANS WILL WIN NEXT 3 SAYS HORNBAY

## Bearden Excited? Ho, Hum

ENROUTE TO CLEVELAND—(UPI)—Lefty Gene Bearden is an over-the-hill slugger, but you have to admit he's a refreshingly honest one.

Most people in sports say complimentary things about their rivals, particularly when they are the quot.

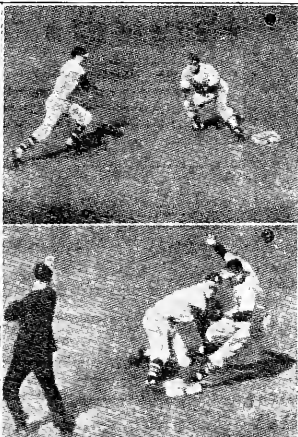
But the hard-core Clevelander who goes to the ball park for the Cleveland Indians in the third game of the World Series asserts in just about sunny words, that these opposing Boston Braves are a bunch of buns.

"I suppose somebody will knock my brains out for saying it," said the 33-year-old, three-time All-Star ball specialist, "but they don't look so very tough to me. Over you pitch to guys like Ted Williams and Vern Stephens, well..."

**Clinched Flag**  
One of the two umpires kneeling ball hurler in an captivity about him. He had plenty of time to look over the American League's big junior men this season and he was rough as sandpaper when the big blue chips were on the line.

That was the payoff game against the Red Sox, when he went out and hand-buffed these Boston sluggers with a mere five hits to win the pennant for the Indians.

Even in such a spot the Clevelander is a professional. Only by looking back a month of career can you



BOUDREAU PROVES HIS ARGUMENT—Umpire Bill Greive and the sequence camera saw things eye-to-eye Thursday and Earl Torgeson, Boston first baseman, was the victim of the now famous Cleveland pickoff play. In picture No. 1, Lou Boudreau has closed in for the throw as Torgeson starts back to second base; view



No. 2 shows Boudreau putting the ball on Torgeson after taking the snap throw from Pitcher Bob Lemon; Umpire Greive waves Torgeson out as he throws his weight into Boudreau in No. 3, and Boudreau lands on his back (No. 4) still clutching the ball. (Associated Press Wirephotos)

## Boudreau Sets Pace for Tribe

Cleveland Finds Batting Eye; Braves Infield Shaky

BY ROGERS BORNHAY  
As told to John P. Corvino

ENROUTE TO CLEVELAND—The Indians are back home today. They have one of the two best lineups in the American League (Gene Bearden) to draw at the Braves. They're in their own park. They're rested to hit.

## Sain, Rain And Back To Sain

A THREE-DAY CLEVELAND

(UPI)—The slogan during the Boston Braves' regular season was "Sain and Sain and two days of rain," but they now have to reverse it a little now.

It might be changed to "Sain and rain and back with Sain."

Rain, windy and cool weather were forecast for the third game of the World Series here Friday by a St. Paul Weather Office. "We took the rain out to make her look more in line with the Braves' series," said the office.

"We didn't rain the Indians out of one game."

All three things point to the prediction of a Braves series ending here, because Cleveland could win the next three.

But it's a hard series, as manager Lou Boudreau, 40, says. He noted their first run of the series and started the winning rally.

He engineered the pickoff play in the first inning a Boston rally that might have nailed Bob Lemon, but he could not start. Boudreau, however, landed on his back and took back to his mother's house twice wiped with Sain.

**Can Meet Any Test**  
The difference in the case of Boudreau's ability to measure up to a strike is only three men, which is pretty good considering that his arm must respond accurately to wild-throwed changes in deliveries.

**Braves Infield Shaky**  
The difference in the case of the Braves' infield in the second game. The Boston infield was shaky. One of its errors figured in the Cleveland scoring and the Braves showed that the current isn't there.

It's not quite evident now that Boston isn't any more powerful, while the Indians gave the fans their first glimpse of hitting in the pitcher.

Manager Billy Southworth is in a tough spot. His best left-hander has been pitched out. He is forced to start a rookie (Vern Riffe) on the third game and on Saturday with Johnny Sain after only two days rest in a strange park.

**Sain Not Rested**  
Sain pitched the last game of the regular season with two days rest between starts and is now finally rested against him.

In so many it's merely been a question of when the Indians would start to show their power. It took great pitching to stop him on the first game and when that pitching fell off just enough so as not to be any more, it was not good enough.

It's not that it will be good enough from now on, but a better club, which is Cleveland, is bound to come out on top.

**ROCKETS, DONTS CLASH TONIGHT**  
LOS ANGELES—(UPI)—The Los Angeles Rams have been scheduled to play the Dallas Cowboys in the first game of the All-America Conference football game here Friday night.

**Get World Series Scores on DE-2-1165**  
Up to the minute World Series scores may be obtained promptly by calling the Daily News, DE-2-1165.

**WINNERS UP \$100**

If time to enter this week's contest... awarded each week of the contest. No one may have an "in" in front of the team as new printed every day in

year of the contract. Remember this write-up was published in July and Fitzgerald was conjecturing on what Cleveland would do should Lou fail to produce a winning ball club in the 1948 season. He thus concludes his article that for Lou Boudreau, the manager, this year is the clutch. Again Lou has proved, just as he has proved in so many ball games, that when the chips are down he hits and his hits mean runs.

IN the 1948 season, Lou has definitely answered another question raised by Fitzgerald in the very title of Fitzgerald's article. Lou has vindicated youth. He was twenty-four years old when he was appointed manager of the Cleveland Indians. The press referred to him as the beardless boy. At thirty-one, Lou is still young for a manager, still a boy; Fitzgerald points out that it is no easy task for one to manage a ball club under such circumstances — when your coaches are such seasoned and distinguished ex-managers as Bill McKechnie and Harold Ruel. In spite of this, I am sure that by now the Boston Red Sox and the Boston Braves as well as all the other teams in the majors know who runs the show, and the demonstrations in Cleveland at the end of the last season and those of this season are adequate proof as to how the fans like the way it is run. We think that Lou has answered the query, raised by Fitzgerald, that if Lou is the last of the boy managers, it will be a mere coincidence and not because boy managers cannot manage.

In commenting further about Lou, Fitzgerald says that he belongs to the Elks Club, the Service Club, Kiwanis in his home town, and "of course, he is an inactive member of his college fraternity, Phi Sigma Kappa." Mr. Fitzgerald's use of the word "inactive" was

poor because we are sure that he meant "alumnus" and not "disinterested." We do not know of a time when Lou has failed to visit the Phi Sigma Kappa chapter house at Illinois when he returned to his alma mater for a visit. If you will note the Eta Triton Chapterette, (University of Akron, Akron, Ohio) you will learn from it that Lou sent that chapter an autographed photograph of himself; we at the national headquarters have had to call upon him frequently with a variety of requests and have always had them graciously fulfilled. He contributed to the Stand-In Fund drives of the national fraternity during the war years and his latest gesture to his fraternity was to send sixteen World Series tickets to the chapter at Champaign for the Sunday game in Cleveland. His interest in Phi Sigma Kappa both at Champaign and nationally has always been and still is keen; we would like more such "inactive" members.

THE story entitled, "They're Just Wild About Boudreau" by Stanley Frank, appeared in the September 4th issue of the *Saturday Evening Post*. It is equally as interesting as is Fitzgerald's but THE SIGNET has a book review department and this is not a magazine review department; however, one observation with respect to Mr. Frank's article must be made; it was published as late as September 4, 1948 and according to Frank, Veeck stated that Boudreau is a good enough manager to win the pennant but that he didn't think he would, that he hasn't the team for it, that the Indians have a two-man pitching staff, Feller and Lemon, and Feller would have to regain his old touch and finish like a four-alarm fire if they were going to have a look-in at the World Series.

Lou won, and in answer to Mr. Frank's query as to how Cleveland would look if Boudreau had been traded in the autumn of 1947, Frank alleged Veeck to have said "sometimes the best deals are the ones you don't make."

Holding records is nothing new for Lou. In addition to the fielding records which Lou holds, he was also American League batting champ in 1944. In the same year he led the American League in two-base hits. Lou is not the big man you so often expect a good hitter to be. He is 5' 11" tall and weighs 180 pounds.

Lou does not smoke and he drinks hard liquor very sparingly. He has a career and he is smart enough to provide and let the others do the drinking.

Lou married his high school sweetheart, Della De Ruiter, in 1938. They have two daughters, Barbara and Sharon, and a son, Louis, Jr. The family resides in Harvey, Illinois.

- \* Feted At Luncheon: March 1940, Page 113
- Voted Most Valuable Rookie: January 1941, Page 16; October 1940, Page 253
- My Thrills in the 1941 All-Star Game: October 1941, Page 242
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THE SIGNET has kept abreast of Lou's major league career and rise to fame by publishing news accounts and stories about him since March 1940.\* A three-page pictorial review of the high lights of his career follows this article. In 1941, Lou wrote an article for THE SIGNET, entitled "My Thrills in the 1941 All-Star Game." It was published in the October 1941 SIGNET.

As this SIGNET goes to press, celebrations honoring Lou are being arranged. He is to be formally presented to the students of the University of Illinois, be-



# ILLINI HONOR BOUDREAU ON CAMPUS TODAY

tween halves of the Illinois vs. Purdue football game scheduled for Memorial Stadium, Champaign, Illinois, on Saturday, October 23. This is only the second time that the University of Illinois has in its entire history so honored one of its graduates and former star athletes. Lou's home town of Harvey is planning a program for the afternoon and evening of October 28. There will be a parade to the Thornton Township High School athletic field followed by an outdoor ceremony there and a banquet in the school cafeteria. Governor Dwight Green of Illinois, Owner Bill Veeck, and Vice-President Hank Greenberg of the Indians and Baseball Commissioner Chandler will be among the guests. On this occasion, the town of Harvey will announce the establishment of the Lou Boudreau scholarship for a Thornton Township High School graduate at the University of Illinois. The funds for this scholarship were raised by the community of Harvey and by Lou who contributed his World Series share of \$6,772 to the fund.

Lou is our hero. He is the hero of all college men, fraternity and non-fraternity alike. He is the hero of and inspiration to the youth of today. Thus, it is with justifiable pride that we feature his picture on the cover of this issue of THE SIGNET, the only time that THE SIGNET has ever repeated a cover picture. (October 1944 cover.) And it was with justifiable pride that the national headquarters sent Lou the following telegram immediately after the last "put-out" of the 1948 World Series: "National Headquarters sends congratulations to you and all on the club. Without discrediting Bearden, Lemon, Gromek, and the stellar defensive play of your entire club, we feel if you could pitch it would have been over in four days, Stewart notwithstanding."

## Homecoming for Lou



Lou Boudreau, manager-shortstop of champion Cleveland Indians, will be honored today on the University of Illinois campus, where he starred in baseball and basketball as a collegian.

## PARADE WILL START 'DAY' FOR ALUMNUS

### I Men to Give Lou Present

By CHARLES HARTLEY

(Chicago Tribune Press Service) CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 22.—The nine black-haired big men who have been selected to give Lou Boudreau a present on his homecoming today are slightly different than it was when he was a collegian. They'll wear the Chicago Cubs' uniform, but they'll be wearing the white's baseball championship ring of 1954. Lou Boudreau, president of the Illinois Central railroad, at one time was a collegian at the University of Illinois. He was a star in baseball and basketball as a collegian.

Will Have Big Parade  
The nine men will be on the parade float on the railroad. They will be wearing the white's baseball championship ring of 1954. Lou Boudreau, president of the Illinois Central railroad, at one time was a collegian at the University of Illinois. He was a star in baseball and basketball as a collegian.

Keep Franchise Planted  
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Chicago Play Second Fiddle  
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## WISCONSIN PAVES WAY FOR STUDENT VOTE ON STUHLREINER'S TERM

—MADISON, Wis., Oct. 21 (AP)—The Wisconsin student vote on a post-World War II election was held today. The election was held in the state capital building. The election was held in the state capital building. The election was held in the state capital building.



HARVEY PARADE

OFFICIAL



Boudreau proudly holding the Most Valuable Major League Rookie of 1940 trophy. He was presented this trophy symbolic of the award at a dinner given in his honor on January 7, 1941 by the Chicago chapter of the Baseball Writers Association of America. Governor Green of Illinois; William Harridge, president of the American League; Ford Frick, president of the National League; Roger Peckinpaugh, the then-manager of the Cleveland Indians; Jimmy Dykes, then-manager of the Chicago White Sox; and Jimmy Wilson, then-manager of the Chicago Cubs, were all present at the dinner. Boudreau's batting average for the 1940 season was .296. He batted in 101 runs, made 9 homers, 11 three-baggers, and 45 doubles. He led the shortstops in the American League in fielding. (January 1941 SIGNET, Page 16.) His improvement in the majors since his initial year has been steady and this in spite of his managerial duties. He still leads the shortstops and batted second only to Williams this year.



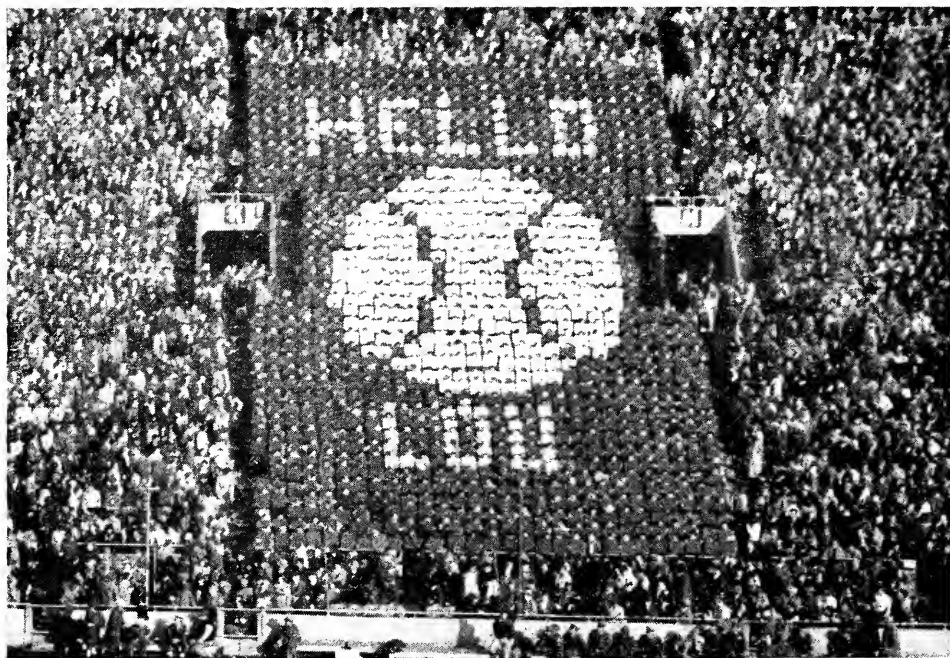
Thomas E. Benner, Dean of the College of Education congratulates Boudreau at a luncheon held in honor of Boudreau at the Hotel Tilden-Hall on the date of the Illinois-Minnesota game in the autumn of 1939. Besides having a diploma, Lou displayed a card showing that he was a paid-up member of the Alumni Association. Guests at the luncheon included Ye Ed and Brothers C. A. Webber and Ora Dillavou of Alpha Deuteron, now Illinois State Representative from Champaign County. March 1940 SIGNET, page 113.

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The big leagues' youngest manager listens to the advice of the big leagues' oldest manager. Lou was then 27 years old and Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, was then 81 year of age. In 1944 Lou set a new major league record for the most double plays at shortstop. He also handled the most chances of any American League shortstop that year. This was in addition to leading the league in batting. (May 1945 SIGNET, page 135.) According to Kyle Crichton, writing for the May 15, 1948 issue of *Collier's* ("Lou Is Cleveland's Business"), this was the year Boudreau came into his own as a player. In referring to the famous Boudreau shift, Crichton wrote, "It was an outrageous defensive maneuver by which everybody on the Cleveland team but the left fielder and the battery congregated in right field and happily cut off hits by the formerly irrepressible Ted Williams. There were loud shouts of laughter throughout the league but the first to stop chortling was Mr. Williams and the others soon followed. Not only did it curb him against Cleveland but it ruined him in the World Series when the Cardinals adopted a revised version of the Boudreau invention."



The Block I cheering section welcomed Lou to the campus with the above pictured formation. Between halves of the Illini 10-6 victory over Purdue Lou was presented to the 57,000 football fans in attendance. He received a scroll and a life-size charcoal drawing of himself made by C. E. Bradbury of the University art school who has done similar sketches of other Illini "greats" such as former Football Coach Robert Zuppke and former Track Coach, Harry Gill.

Lou had a busy week end, arriving in Champaign on Friday noon in the private railroad car of President Wayne Johnson of the Illinois Central Railroad, and participating in a parade in his honor through Champaign, the campus, and Urbana. He attended the I-Men's dinner and the pep rally in the evening. He met the press men of the Champaign *News Gazette* and sat for an interview with Champaign and Urbana high school reporters at the *Gazette* office. He was entertained during the week end by former Coach Robert Zuppke and Athletic Director Doug Mills. He had luncheon at the Phi Sig house preceding the game, taking it as he could get it between the signing of autographs for the brothers, as well as the grade school and high school youngsters who stormed the chapter house with cases of baseballs, seeking Lou's autograph.

# Football Scouting

By ERNEST B. McCoy

Among colleges and universities today football scouting is a generally recognized and valuable part of the great American game, and it is also generally well regulated.

The practice of scouting really serves a two-fold purpose. First, it simplifies preparation for a game, and second, it minimizes suspicion between rival coaches, players and institutions. Rules have been set up among the various institutions governing scouting, and where they are not actually written, they are generally agreed upon.

The Western Conference rules provide, for example, that each team may scout a future opponent three times with one man. Two scouts may be present at a game involving future rivals, one for each team. Again, a rival may be scouted by one man in its final game of the season, provided your team is meeting it on the opening date of the following season.

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Editor's Note: Ernest B. McCoy, Assistant Athletic Director and Chief Scout at the University of Michigan, is a member of the Delta Deuteron Chapter, Class of '29. While an undergraduate, Ernie participated and won letters in baseball, basketball and football. He was Captain of the Basketball Squad and received the Western Conference Award for proficiency and scholarship in athletics. He also toured Japan with the baseball team in 1928.

After a brief period in the banking business, he entered Columbia University for postgraduate work and subsequently was made athletic director at New Jersey State Teachers College at Mount Clair, New Jersey.

He then returned to the University of Michigan to serve under Coach Crisler as staff assistant. After serving as an officer in the Navy during the war, he returned to his job in Ann Arbor and was appointed Assistant Athletic Director and Chief Scout.

In the latter capacity he has been of invaluable assistance to Coach Crisler and his staff in scouting opposing teams, and to this work can be attributed much of the success of the Michigan football squad.

Ernie is married to the former Betty Hemenger. They have one son who, incidentally, traveled with his father to the Rose Bowl game and was the youngest member of the Michigan official party.

cannot take motion pictures of an opponent.

Starting with the preparation phase of scouting, obviously the information a coach is most interested in as he prepares



ERNEST B. McCOY

Conference rules also provide that a scout his charges for a particular game is the offensive formation, or formations, used by an opponent, with exact spacing of all players, the defensive formations, also with exact spacing, and the individual characteristics of the opposing players. In addition, he will expect a scout to note and report any deviations from normal play.

One of the first things a major college scout does when he receives his scouting assignment is to go over the report from the previous season on the team he has been assigned to, in order to familiarize himself with the formations and personnel.

Which players are back from a previous season is another thing a scout will want to check. He will want to know about new men and their respective backgrounds. He will familiarize himself thoroughly with the numbers of the players so that he automatically knows every man on the field. Then he will prepare charts of current formations the opponents have been known to use, so that it will not be necessary to do this during the actual game.

In his mind he will review endlessly the type of formation—"T"—single wing, or variations—that the opponent runs from.

If the opponent is using the famed "T," for example, the scout should know whether or not a man-in-motion is used, and what direction the motion usually takes. He also must report to his head coach the type of play on which the motion is most likely to occur.

Seated in the pressbox with his charts and pencils, he will want to know what possible threats are used to feint or hold out the defense, whether there are direct passes to backs other than the quarterback. These are a few of the questions that will be in his mind as he prepares to go on a scouting expedition.

A scout is perhaps the loneliest man among the thirty to ninety thousand persons witnessing a major college football game today. While others are there to relax, to enjoy the game, or to root for their favorites, the scout is there for one purpose only—to gather as much useful information as possible in the time allotted. He works under high nervous tension, too, because he knows that his judgment, what he sees or fails to see, will have an important bearing upon what his team does the following week or thereafter against this same opponent. Upon his judgment very often rests the deciding factor in victory or defeat.

Believe me, when I say from personal experience, this is not the most comfortable feeling in the world.

The scout arrives at the scene of action early. During pre-game practice, from his vantage point, usually in the pressbox, he picks out the punters, the passers, the kick-off men. He notes how far the punter stands from the center, tries to catch the rhythm of his kicking, the distance and placement of his kicks. He will note distance and direction of kick-off men, whether the forward passers are right- or left-handed. He may jot down notes on them to be compared with their later actions during the game.

Once the game is started he will check the formations used, the spacing, watch for tip-offs from individual players which may give certain plays away. He will watch pass receivers, check the protection given the passers and punters.

The scout cannot afford to guess on anything. He must be absolutely certain of what he sees. While ninety thousand people come to their feet with a shout of excitement, he must sit absolutely still, concentrating all of his faculties on everything he sees.

A constant stream of questions is pouring through his mind. He is thinking in terms of counters for both offensive and defensive moves made by the future opponent. Should it be possible to block kicks, and how? What plays in his own team's repertoire would work best against the type of pass defense the opponent uses?

The observer also must give the line a lot of detailed attention. For example, if the guards pull out, he will want to know which guard pulls, he will note the guard's speed and blocking ability, and particularly he will be alert for any tell-tale signs that indicate when the guard is coming out of the line.

Some very beautiful offenses have been smeared on the white-barred turf because defensive men were told what to watch for in the matter of tip-offs.

Among some of the more general questions he must be prepared to answer when he gets back in the Sunday or



Monday huddle with his head coach are such things as the type of huddle used by the opponent, whether or not said opponent employs a shift, whether there is time for the defense to shift with the offense, what plays they like to use inside the ten-yard line, and what sort of condition the players are in.

The head man will want to know generally what the scout's estimate is of the future foe's offensive and defensive strength, and what recommendations he has for the employment of his own team's offense and defense in the coming game.

Once the game is over, there is no time for the scout to relax. He must get immediately to the business of assembling his material, while it still is fresh in his mind, into a complete written report to the head coach. He also is available, of course, when he gets back, to answer further questions and to give opinions.

It also is easily possible to over-do scouting. At times the mass of detail turned in by scouts borders on the ridiculous. Three "looks" by a competent scout should be ample for any game. Fewer serve very well frequently, and teams have been known to do very well without any scouting at all.

### RESCORL ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THELMOTHESIAN SOCIETY

Xi Chapter is very pleased to salute one of its staunchest members. Last spring Bill Rescorl achieved what is the dream of every campus politician's heart. He was elected to the presidency of the Thelmothesian Society which is the official organ of student government at St. Lawrence. Bill's election came as a fitting climax to an undergraduate life of real service, both to Xi Chapter and to the university.

Long self-referred to as the spirit of Phi Sig, Bill has been vice-president of the house and a member of the board of directors of the alumni association.

Even the war didn't stop his activities — during his service he edited and published the chapter alumni paper, "The Xi Breeze."

On his return to St. Lawrence he reactivated the Debate Club and served



WILLIAM RESCORL

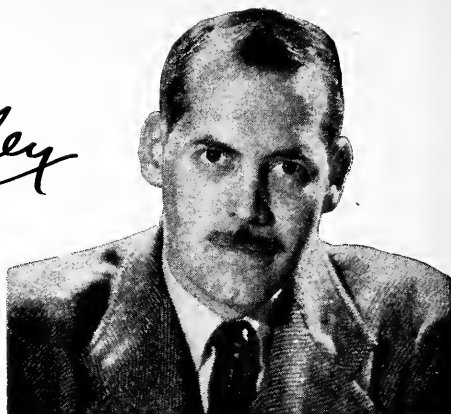
as its president. Currently he is president of the honorary debate fraternity, Tau Kappa Alpha. After breathing new life into debate he turned his talents to the school magazine, *The Laurentian*. His work on that publication went ahead in the usual progressive Rescorl style. As a result, last spring he was awarded the Alexander Black Prize as the most outstanding journalist on campus.

The light of his past successes served as a brilliant testimony and after a fiery speech to the student body last spring, Bill was chosen to do the job once again.

William R. Carroll, Geo. Washington '50 is assistant to Johnny Bradford, Omega Deuteron '38, NBC's singing television star (see story in the May SIGNET).

# Bentley's Galley

JULIAN BENTLEY, Beta Triton '30  
News Commentator for  
Columbia Broadcasting System



As the Galley in the last issue of THE SIGNER promised, we have obtained further information on how school supplies may be shipped to our fellow students in the western occupation zones of Germany. Since the last issue, I think you will agree that the East-West struggle over Germany has been sharpened considerably. Here is a chance for Phi Sigma Kappa men to make a positive contribution in aid of the West.

As some of you may recall, the idea is to send surplus school supplies such as half used (or new, if you like) pencils, pens, notebooks, tablets and any other supplies you can spare to the students of western Germany. Phi Sig veterans who served in Germany can testify to the fact that these supplies are desperately short — not to mention short food rations and lack of heat. We are trying to teach democracy to the students and often they are trying to absorb lectures, using primitive slates or with no writing materials at all. (And when your food rations are small, your memory is not so good.)

The Pentagon referred me to CRA-LOG, which is the abbreviation for the Council of Relief Agencies Licensed for Operation in Germany. When I was in Germany I saw something of CRA-LOG's work and I can personally testify to the good it is doing. Here are the groups which are cooperating with CRA-LOG:

American Baptist Relief, American

Friends Service Committee, Brethren Service Committee, Church World Service, Committee on Christian Science Wartime Activities of the Mother Church, Congregational Christian Service Committee, International Social Service, International Rescue and Relief Committee, Labor League for Human Rights (AFL), Lutheran World Relief, Mennonite Central Committee, National CIO Community Services Committee, Russian Children's Welfare Society, The Salvation Army, Tolstoy Foundation, Unitarian Service Committee and War Relief Services, and National Catholic Welfare Conference.

Mr. Arthur S. Joice, Executive Secretary of CRALOG, writes me in part: "For some time CRALOG has been acting as a channel for school supplies etc for Germany . . . The need is very great for this material and I believe it is a most worthy project." Then Mr. Joice gives instructions for those desiring to ship, via CRALOG, small quantities (up to 500 pounds) of school supplies to Germany — American, British, and French Zones, and all sectors of Berlin. These may be sent via *parcel post* in packages not exceeding 70 pounds to the following address:

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APO 751, c/o Postmaster New York.

If you want the supplies sent to a particular school you should so mark



the package together with the fact that it contains educational supplies. For example: "Educational Supplies, University of Heidelberg, or Hamburg or Cologne or Bonn and so on.

CRALOG will do its best to deliver them to the designated school, but cannot guarantee that absolutely. If the packages are sent simply to Dr. Burke at the above address, you may be sure they will be sent where the need is greatest.

Some chapters may, however, wish to "adopt" a university or technical school. If a freshman or two could be assigned the task of making and mailing a monthly collection of surplus school supplies from each chapter house, it would be of great help. Now, of course, this would cost something for wrapping and postage, but not very much. Surely Brother Treasurer in each chapter can squeeze something out of the miscellaneous fund or from the winter formal fund for this purpose. It may strike a stronger blow against World War III than any of us imagine.

P.S. I'd appreciate a post card, care of Mr. Earl Schoening, 10 South La Salle Street, Chicago 3, whenever a shipment is made. Also, if you would like addresses or names of different types of schools in Germany, drop me a line, as the Pentagon has furnished me with a list much too long for printing in a Galley.

### RICHARD DOLE RESCUED FROM DROWNING

Richard A. Dole, Stanford '31 and three others were fished out of the water off Diamond Head, Honolulu by the crew of the Coast Guard boat *Mokuola* when their 22-foot sailboat swamped Sunday, August 22. One woman drowned.

Brother Dole was born in Honolulu. He is the son of Richard Dole, of Dole Pineapple fame.

### DOW RECEIVES PROMOTION

James N. Dow, Lehigh '30, has been named to an executive post in the Chicago headquarters of Sears, Roebuck and Company. Sears officials announced last August that he will head the dress



JAMES N. DOW

goods buying department. He was formerly an assistant on buying.

Brother Dow holds an M. S. degree in chemical engineering from Lehigh, as well as a B. S. degree. He joined Sears as a textile engineer after 14 years as research director for textile firms.

While at Lehigh he participated in football and was active on the campus humor magazine.

Brother Dow resides in Wayne, Illinois with his wife and three children.

### COURT OF HONOR MEETS

The Court of Honor met on August 14 to elect officers and hold a short business session. William A. McIntyre, Pennsylvania '04 was elected Chancellor and William Ellis Zimmerman, Geo. Washington '23 was named Recorder.

# The President Speaks

(From the Report of National President Herbert L. Brown to the Convention)

**M**Y Brother Phi Sigs, this is truly a memorable occasion in the history of our fraternity. For weeks we have all looked forward to it eagerly, not only because it marks the Diamond Jubilee celebration of the founding of our brotherhood, but also because after six long years it presents us with the opportunity to greet old friends, tried and true, of yesteryear, and to make new friends from among those brothers who are assembled here for the first time. Then too it offers the opportunity to rededicate our faith in and loyalty to this fraternal association to which we have given the full measure of our devotion, and to plan wisely and constructively that the continued progress of Phi Sigma Kappa may be assured.

As I undertook the planning of this report several weeks ago, I soon discovered that because of the unusual circumstances surrounding this historic convention, the long lapse of time since our last convention, the many fateful events that have transpired in the interim and the confused picture presented by the future, it would be impossible for me to follow any set pattern of previous presidential reports. Normally such reports are not expected to cover much more than the current state of the fraternity, but my responsibility to this high office dictates that I dwell not only on the past and the present, but that I discuss with you the future as well.

**I** SCARCELY need to remind you that it has been eight years since we held a *normal* convention right here in the city of Boston. Little did we dream then that before we convened again, the greatest cataclysm in the history of the world would descend upon our nation to threaten not only our own institutions, but even civilization itself with annihilation.

Suddenly it came, and just as the nation was unprepared so were we as a fraternity unprepared to deal with the unprecedented crisis created by the loss of hundreds of our undergraduate brothers to the armed services, an almost vanishing chapter roll and the resultant dwindling revenue, leaving us little with which to conduct even the bare necessary activities of the fraternity. Hastily what might be termed a rump convention was called in December 1942 in the city of Philadelphia. Its main purpose was to adopt legislation setting up the mechanics by which this dire emergency could be met. Every delegate at that convention recognized the seriousness of the situation. If we were to survive as a fraternity, if we were to come out of that great tragedy strong enough to resume our rightful place in the family of Greekletter societies, unprecedented emergency powers would have to be delegated to the board of directors, the Council. That convention met the challenge thoughtfully and courageously and placed their faith in that body of men. They entrusted to those brothers the herculean task of holding the fraternity together and of reactivating it when the clouds of war had at last been dissipated. Let me remind you that a duly chosen delegate from your chapter had the opportunity to participate in that all-important decision — a decision that was the result of the normal democratic process which decrees that the will of the majority shall prevail. So on January 1, 1943 the active management of our brotherhood was transferred to the Council.

**I** SERIOUSLY doubt that any Council in the entire history of the fraternity ever accepted its responsibilities more earnestly or with greater fidelity to duty than has that Council from the day of

that fateful decision right up to the present time. As a member of that group I hope to be pardoned for making this unqualified statement, with due modesty as to my own small contribution. But I make it, because I am certain I know whereof I speak.

Even at that time, on that New Year's Day of 1943 the defection in our ranks had already begun. Soon, with almost sickening regularity and despite their most strenuous efforts to stem the tide, our Regional Directors reported the complete shut-down of chapter after chapter. House after house, with no brothers to occupy and maintain them, closed their doors and in desperation some were sold. From a complement of 42 chapters prior to the outbreak of war we soon found ourselves with a chapter roll of just 16, having any degree of active status. Several of these had no more than enough men to staff the officers' positions. Great credit is due to those loyal courageous chapters which struggled on as active units of our organization despite the dwindling manpower available in their colleges. Within an unbelievably short space of time our national annual revenue had shrunk to one-quarter of normal.

**F**ACING this desperate situation, recognizing the seriousness of it, but never dismayed, the Council met in August of 1943 to determine its course of action. Under the wise and patient leadership of our late beloved past President, Brother John Marchmont, it began the task of (1) holding the line against further defections; (2) stopping further drains threatening our financial reserves to the danger point; and (3) formulating a long-range program of reactivation and reconstruction.

That Council meeting, like those each year since, was work, toil and — yes, sweat and then more work. First it was two all-day sessions; the next year,

two all-day sessions and one night session; the following year, three all-day and two night sessions, and last year the meeting was extended to three and one-half daily sessions and three night sessions.

In spite of the fact that every possible economy was effected, our \$64 question seemed to be "Where Shall we get the money to carry on the activities of the fraternity necessary to insure survival?" In the Emergency Fund and Stand-in Fund Drives we found our answer. Four of these were conducted in successive years. Our Regional Directors organized committees to solicit alumni the country over. It was hard work, but under the able supervision of Brother Schoening splendid results were obtained. In 1943, \$3450.00 was contributed; in 1944, \$5508.00; in 1945, \$6798.00; and in 1946, \$5856.00 . . . . but what a job it was to get these amounts from an extremely low percentage of our nearly 19,000 members. Still those drives enabled us to carry on, and the Council is everlastingly grateful to the relatively few loyal alumni who had come to the fraternity's aid in its hour of greatest need.

**W**E of the Council were greatly troubled by the lethargy of the large mass of our alumni brothers in this emergency. What was the matter with their loyalty, or rather why the complete lack of it? What could be done to insure alumni support not only in normal times but in the event of future crises?

After many hours of discussion and interchange of ideas, it was agreed that our greatest asset for this purpose was **THE SIGNET**, and thus was born the **SIGNET Life Membership** project which would ultimately tie every alumnus more closely to the fraternity, with a life subscription to **THE SIGNET** thus insuring greater and more sustained alumni interest and support. This was one of the most pro-

gressive and forward-looking steps ever taken by this fraternity, and I call your attention to the fact that this legislation was later ratified by every one of the six regional conclaves, held after the cessation of hostilities.

Having strengthened our structure with this important action, the Council then proceeded to work out plans for reactivation and expansion when peace came. One travelling secretary and then a second were engaged—the first time in our history, I believe, when we had available two such travelling representatives at one time, although later one of these secretaries was forced to resign his position as a result of serious family illness. These men were sent to our most troublesome spots — not only to save wavering active chapters, but to reactivate dormant chapters, which seemed ready to re-open. Pi Deuteron at Ohio State was revived with the invaluable assistance of Brother Walt Ackerman, who travelled from coast to coast, spotting potential new chapters and aiding other groups in their struggle to regain active status. Later Brother Bill Gott ably assisted in this work and after him Brother Bill Zimmerman, our present travelling secretary.

**C**ITING other accomplishments of this Council I call attention to the Program of Services, compiled in printed form by the Council and publicized among our chapters. (See November 1947 SIGNET, page 351.)

Current forms of services were listed together with fifteen separate proposals for additional service. It is noteworthy that within two years after this program was proposed, thirteen of these new forms of service were either an accomplished fact or had been started well on the way to realization. Among these, just to mention a few of the more important projects, were chapter roll expansion, the establishment of the Phi Sigma Kappa

Foundation, the plan to secure the services of our Secretary-Treasurer on a full-time basis, legislation making available funds for chapter house projects from the Endowment Fund and the SIGNET Life Membership Fund, efforts to improve our public relations activities — to advertise the fraternity, the strengthening of our chapter adviser set-up by publishing an adviser's manual, further enlargement of the scope and prestige of THE SIGNET, already a leader in the field of fraternity magazines, — these and other forms of service . . .

Then came the beginning of the realization of our expansion dreams. First to join our ranks was Theta Triton at Texas, then Iota Triton at Connecticut, followed closely by Kappa Triton at Fresno State — all in the spring of '47. A few months later in the fall, we were joined by Lambda Triton at Rhode Island State, Mu Triton right here at Boston U., Nu Triton at Hartwick; then this spring, Omicron Triton at San Jose, Xi Triton at Davis and only a few weeks ago Pi Triton at Eastern Washington College . . . . . nine fine chapters added to our roll in a little more than a year.

**M**AY I digress for a moment to extend a very special and a very hearty welcome to those new chapters, and to assure them through their delegates at this convention that we are proud to have them in our fraternity and that we pledge to them our unwavering loyalty and support.

I had the honor of participating in three of these inductions, and I can tell you without qualification that these new members are brothers of whom we can be justly proud.

Many brothers made important contributions to these new chapter additions. While it is difficult to single out individuals for special mention, I would be remiss if I did not speak of the invaluable assistance rendered by just a few

— the three travelling secretaries, named above, Brother Earl Schoening, Don Downing, Don Hamilton, Bruce Bean, Dean Palm and Bill Wood. The work of the last two brothers in effecting the successful merger of Omega Chapter with the Sigma Phi Sigma group merits our special commendation, for it strengthened our fraternity immeasurably on the Pacific Coast.

Thus have we come out of the most terrible war in history and the difficult postwar era, a more powerful, a more highly respected and a better fraternity. This is in a sense a brief accounting of the trusteeship of our brotherhood, turned over to the Council and its officers six years ago and returned to you at this convention for a resumption of normal administrative processes. I am proud of the record — proud of having had the opportunity to work so closely with the national headquarters under the able supervision of Brother Schoening and with the Council members who did me the great honor of electing me as their chief executive of the fraternity two years ago when Brother John Marchmont resigned from that high office.

SO we come down to the present and the second purpose of this report — to give you an honest, straight-from-the-shoulder analysis of our fraternity as of today.

Although great gains have been made, I would be less than honest with you if I were to tell you that all is sweetness and light. If I become unduly critical in this analysis, you can attribute it to my philosophy of never being quite satisfied until I see Phi Sigma Kappa at the head of Greekletter societies in this country.

For purposes of simplification, I shall discuss the current state of the fraternity by listing the various categories that bear upon the subject and commenting briefly upon each.

### *General Condition of Chapters*

A REVIEW of our chapter roll of 52 reveals that with a few what might be called perennial exceptions our chapters are in a relatively strong position. Most of them are above normal in manpower, several having upwards of 100 active brothers. Roughly speaking the average chapter roll runs between 60 and 65 men. These swollen memberships are of course due to the greatly increased enrollments at virtually all colleges and universities. In many places war veterans constitute a high percentage of the membership. Happily, with a few exceptions, the returning G. I.'s have not created as much of a problem as some of us were earlier led to believe. They have worked into the chapter life harmoniously and have cooperated well with the younger men.

### *Chapter Advisers*

HERE is an important part of our fraternity structure, from which we never quite seem to realize the vast potentialities envisioned by those who guide the destinies of our brotherhood. It is simply appalling to me that we have so relatively few alumni who are willing to devote the time and effort to this important work. We have some good advisers, but I fear we have more who follow the practice of visiting their chapters only when they receive an engraved invitation. *That is not chapter advising* in my book. I have about concluded that we will be just as well off to have no advisers for our chapters, as to have advisers who know so little about their affairs they cannot even fill out an official report without help from the undergraduate officers.

### *Scholarship*

IT is pleasing to me not to speak critically of everything and everybody. There is encouraging evidence that this

important category and, incidentally, one of our three Cardinal Principles, is showing some signs of improvement, perhaps not so much in the form of recorded grades as in the more serious attitude to be found among many chapters on this subject. There seems to be an inclination to cooperate more closely with the college administration in its efforts to raise scholarship standards. Several chapters have made notable records during the last year. Let us never be unmindful of the fact that a fraternity chapter is judged — and rightfully so — by the college authorities largely on the basis of its scholastic record. Scholarship should be a first consideration not only in our individual chapters but in our fraternity as a national organization, for if we fail to serve our colleges by improving the scholastic work of our members, we forfeit the right to exist on their campuses.

### *Alumni*

OH, yes, believe it or not we do have alumni and we have some fine, loyal alumni who have made and are still making notable contributions to our brotherhood. But I regret to say the number in this classification is much smaller than it should be. Both locally and nationally we have a crying need for greater alumni interest and support. I have never quite understood how a man can feel it is profitable to join a fraternity for just four years' participation, becoming totally inactive immediately thereafter and losing all interest both in his chapter and in the national organization. It has been suggested to me it is an indication of adolescence to continue one's active interest in one's fraternity after graduation. Look around you here and behold some very fine adolescents. We must work diligently to keep our alumni interested. Don't blame it all on them. Suppose we first see where we are falling down on the job.

### *Chapter Visitation and Inspection*

THIS is one of the important functions of our Regional Directors, assisted as much as possible by our other national officers and our travelling secretary. These men, with the exception of the latter, receive no remuneration for their services. They are business men who have jobs to do — a living to make — and we can justly make only limited demands upon their time. While our present directors have done an earnest, conscientious job during the last year, what with the increase in the number of chapters in several regions, more frequent visitations are needed. The appointment of deputies, another full time travelling secretary, or a realignment of our regional set-up with sub-divisions and more officers, are several possible alternatives.

Reference to this problem will be made later herein under specific recommendations to be considered by the Convention.

### *Our Financial Structure*

DURING the last six years, by wise fiscal management and careful budgeting, we have been able to conduct the national affairs of the fraternity without eating into our reserves . . . at least up to the time we began to absorb the heavy expense of this convention. Let me assure you that our Secretary-Treasurer, Brother Schoening, has managed the finances of our organization with magnificent efficiency in the face of constantly rising operating costs, with which we are all too well acquainted as the high cost of living. But it becomes increasingly obvious day by day that with the continuing upward spiral which gives no sign of abating, additional revenue is going to have to be found, if we are to continue the progress already made, and if we are effectually to carry forward the far-reaching program of service, including substantial expansion, which we have set as our goal. Upon this convention rests the heavy responsibility of meeting

this problem squarely and courageously. See to it that you discharge it wisely and in the best interests of the entire fraternity.

Aside from our SIGNET Life Membership project, which gives each member the publication for life, and does not increase our general operating revenue, there has been no increase in the national cost of fraternity membership since 1943, despite pyramiding of costs that enter into every phase of our operation.

According to my latest information some fraternities have already met the situation by legislation calling for an increase in either national dues or in initiation fees. Others are planning similar action at the earliest possible moment.

#### *Creed, Cardinal Principles and Ritual*

I WISH to discuss with you for just a moment these three very vital foundation stones of our fraternity structure. I bring them to your attention, because I have the feeling that they are being neglected in many of our chapters, or at best are being subordinated to less spiritual aspects of our fraternal concept. Our creed clearly and unequivocally expresses our beliefs, our Cardinal Principles proclaim our ideals, our rituals are or should be a symbolism of these beliefs and these ideals. They bind us together as a unit. Nothing should ever be allowed to interfere with their acceptance by our members as the proper guide and monitor in our daily lives. *They are Phi Sigma Kappa . . . something to be cherished . . . something to which we should constantly rededicate our hearts and minds.* I shall reserve further comment upon the Ritual until a later convention session which will be devoted to a study of this item.

And so my brothers, we come to a consideration of the future. What does it hold for Phi Sigma Kappa? It is confused and again there are war clouds on the horizon. God forbid that they will

darken further to the point that they unleash upon us the terrible thunder and lightning of war. But if it comes we must be better prepared than we were the last time. Let us at least formulate those preparations and make them ready at this convention for use at a moment's notice.

Large chapter membership and chapter roll expansion may continue during the next academic year, depending to a large extent upon the effect of the impending peace-time draft. We must be prepared to take full advantage of these opportunities by continuing our expansion activities . . . but always within the framework of our administrative abilities. Similarly we will be wise to pledge and initiate a full complement of members the coming year, so that we will be in a better position to carry on after the draft begins to drain off some of our manpower.

THERE are other problems of a more or less serious nature with which we will have to grapple at this convention, and I desire to present to you briefly for your consideration a series of proposals or recommendations designed to strengthen our organization and to consolidate the gains already made. They are as follows:

1. Revise our regional distribution as presently provided by our Constitution and By-laws, by sub-dividing each region into districts of not more than four chapters each, grouped closely geographically — each district to be under the control of a Supervisor, selected from the Chapter Advisers of the district and held directly responsible to the Regional Director. The purpose of this proposal is three-fold:—
  - (a) Closer supervision of chapters, made possible by more frequent visits by a national officer
  - (b) Consequently the development

of a more national concept of the fraternity among our chapters

- (c) The formation of a pool of experienced officers, from which a capable Regional Director can be chosen, when a vacancy in that office occurs
2. Develop a plan on a national scale, whereby the most able men, possessing unusual qualities of leadership in each chapter, will be singled out by the Supervisor, that he may be encouraged and instructed in national officer work with a view to making him potential material for successive advancement to Chapter Adviser, District Supervisor and Regional Director. The purpose of this recommendation is to provide a continuous source of capable and trained leadership for our fraternity.
3. Continue the employment of a Field Secretary and add a second if substantial expansion creates the need for another — provided, of course, our budget permits. The purpose of this proposal is of course obvious —
  - (a) To increase our chapter inspection facilities
  - (b) To cover all expansion possibilities in all regions
4. Intensify our expansion campaign — by colonization if necessary — through the development of key alumni in each general geographical area and if necessary appointing each alumnus so selected as a deputy of the Council. I would suggest further that we continue at least for another year the present procedure of vesting authority for expansion decisions in the Budget Committee, so as to insure quicker action than is possible under the Conclave control plan.
5. Encourage the formation of more chartered Alumni Clubs and establish a closer liaison between such clubs and the national organization by periodic visits by national officers.
6. Organize an active Public Relations Bureau, with a Council member designated to direct its activities to the end that Phi Sigma Kappa shall obtain its full share of publicity in all interfraternity publications and other media.
7. Either abolish the Court of Honor, or revise its functions in our Constitution and By-laws, so that it will become an active working part of our administrative set-up, instead of merely an honorary recognition. Change its name perhaps to something more meaningful and select its membership with a view to what they can and are willing to contribute to our program.
8. Absorb the Endowment Fund into the Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation, making provision for annual payment to the Grand Chapter of a sum equivalent to the present interest from the Endowment Fund as a service charge. Develop the Foundation as speedily as possible by effective publicity to undergraduates and alumni.
9. Give greater emphasis among our chapters to the esoteric work of the fraternity, including the Ritual, the Creed and Cardinal Principles, changing them, if necessary, to serve more adequately the aims and purposes of Phi Sigma Kappa.
10. Review our present fiscal structure for the purpose of determining additional sources of revenue for the Grand Chapter, in order to meet the steadily mounting costs of operation — providing you want us to continue with our present program of services and expand that program to the end that we may give you a



better fraternity to "sell" to the most desirable men in competition with our rival fraternities.

I submit these proposals as a 10-point program which I believe can be made the basis for legislation at this convention which will insure our continued progress.

IT has been a very great privilege and honor to be your chief executive officer for the past two years. No one ever selected for that high office has accepted its responsibilities with a greater sense of obligation to a trust imposed . . . . . nor of a greater appreciation of the opportunity offered for service to our brotherhood. I have visited many chapters, east of the Mississippi River and at four of the six Regional Conclaves, I have talked with undergraduate members from virtually all chapters in that area. I have been deeply impressed with the high character of the men in these chapters. It has been my misfortune that time and my personal job demands have made it impossible for me to visit the western chapters and meet the brothers from that sector of the country. I sincerely hope that it may be my privilege to meet every single brother here, — delegate or visitor.

One of my most satisfying experiences during the last two years has been the fine relationship which I have had with the members of the Council and the other officers of the fraternity. In extending to the Council members my gratitude for their unflinching cooperation I wish to thank them on behalf of the fraternity for a job well done. There have been times when there were widely differing opinions, but never has there been a time when a stand was taken by any member that did not reflect an honest, sincere effort to serve the best interests of Phi Sigma Kappa.

I DESIRE to commend the work of our Field Secretaries during the last

two years — first Brother Walt Ackerman, then Brother Bill Gott and our present Field Secretary, Brother Bill Zimmerman, whose fine work is known to all or most of you and needs no further recommendation from me.

And now our headquarters staff; the amount of work turned out by Brother Schoening and his able assistant, Helen Mamula and her assistants has amazed those who are in a position to know, as I am.

To all of them go my thanks for their splendid cooperation in easing some of the burdens of my office. It has been a real pleasure and privilege to work closely with them and in particular with our capable Secretary-Treasurer, the leading fraternity magazine editor of the country, Brother Earl Schoening.

I think this Convention should know of the honors which Brother Schoening has brought to Phi Sigma Kappa in the form of Interfraternity offices during the last six years. He was Chairman of the College Fraternity Secretaries Association 1946-1947; Vice Chairman, 1945-1946; Secretary-Treasurer, 1944-45; and a member of the Executive Committee, 1942-1944 and again in 1947-1948. His ability was also recognized by the College Fraternity Editors Association, of which he was President in 1944-1945; Vice-President 1943-44 and a member of the Executive Committee 1942-43.

During this period Brother John Marchmont was a member of the Executive Committee of the National Interfraternity Conference 1943-1945; also Chairman of the Archives Committee of that body in 1944 and 1945; Chairman of the Conference Committee on Relations with Men in the Armed Forces in 1944; and Chairman of the NIC Round Table Group A — 1944-46. It has been my privilege to represent the fraternity at the National Interfraternity Conference meetings every year since 1940.

AND now, brothers, in concluding this report let me remind you of the importance of this convention. We are gathered here to chart the course of our "ship of state" presumably for the next two years, but actually for a number of years to come. During these four days there will be time for work — time for play. Let it be the determination of each of us that the results of our work will be reflected in the accelerated progress of our fraternity. Likewise let each of us see to it that our play will do naught but rebound to the prestige and honor of Phi Sigma Kappa. You are the custodians of her good name. See that you guard it well.

In your deliberations, while remembering that you represent your chapters, do not forget you collectively hold the future of our beloved brotherhood in your hands. It is my profound hope and belief that no brother here will permit narrow, selfish group interests to supersede the welfare of our fraternity as a whole.

Each of us — undergraduate, adviser, alumnus and officer alike — should realize that he holds in trust a great heritage that deserves his clearest thinking, his keenest foresight and his wisest counsel. Let us richly deserve by our actions and by our decisions here the confidence placed in us by our brothers to the end that we may continue to "make her fair name brighter than the jewels of her emblems and wear those emblems above reproach," so that to a man every one of our 20,000 living brothers shall be proud to tell the world "This is my fraternity."

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**William E. Chapin**, Massachusetts '99 is living at 39 Bowers Street, South Portland, Maine. He has recently been retired from teaching after 36 years of service at the Portland High School.

### NEWT MILLHAM ELECTED ALUMNI TRUSTEE

During the festivities which highlighted last June's Alumni Day the Phi Sigs present at the chapter house at St. Lawrence University were very gratified to hear the news that Newt Millham '31 had just been elected to represent the alumni of the university on the Board of Trustees. The men of the chapter are strong in the feeling that once more Xi has been recognized indirectly as the result of this honor paid to one of her foremost sons.

Newt's undergraduate career was nothing short of illustrious. In addition to presiding over Thelmothesian he was Editor in Chief of the *Gridiron*, Managing Editor of the *Hill News* and headed the Mummies. He was a member of the Honor Court, Campus Council, and IRC.

After leaving St. Lawrence and graduating from Brooklyn Law School, Newt married Lucia Pink, SLU '32. At present Newt is a member of the law firm of Bernhard, Remsen, Millham, and Bowdish. The list of civic activities in which he participates is impressive, but perhaps his outstanding work has been with boys as evidenced by his membership on his local Board of Education and his interest in Boy Scouting and the Boy's Clubs of the Locust Valley area.

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**William H. Press**, Eta (Maryland) '28 was elected secretary-treasurer of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives (formerly known as the National Association of Commercial Organization Secretaries) at its 34th annual conference in Philadelphia during October. The group is composed of nearly 2,000 top-ranking Chamber of Commerce men from all over the nation.

Brother Press is also the executive secretary of the Washington Board of Trade.

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# Region Two's New Director

Carl F. Chronister, Rho Deuteron (Gettysburg) '35, elected Regional Director for Region Two (Delaware, New Jersey, West Virginia and certain counties in New York) by the Diamond Jubilee Convention was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on November 1, 1913. After attending public schools in Harrisburg he enrolled at Gettysburg College in 1931.

At Gettysburg College he was a member of the varsity soccer team for three years. He also participated in dramatics, being a member of the college dramatic club, "Owl & Nightingale." While a member of the college debating team, he went on tour of the Middle Atlantic States.

He was also president of Tau Kappa Alpha, a member of Pi Lambda Sigma, and upon graduation was elected to the newly-formed Gettysburg Honor Society. During his senior year he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

At college he wrote for the college paper, devoting most of his time to the sports department. He says that one of his most satisfying achievements while in college was to edit the column "Eddie Fooley" (football forecast) in which he compiled an average of over .800 for two seasons. He was also an associate editor of his year book.

He served in several positions in Rho Deuteron Chapter, holding the presidency during the last term of his senior year.

Upon graduation from college Brother Chronister entered Dickenson Law School. In 1937 he was appointed to the staff of the Law Review. During his stay at Dickenson, he took time out to coach the Dickenson College soccer team.

After graduation from Dickenson Law School he took the Pennsylvania bar examination and was admitted to the Pennsylvania State Bar and Dauphin County Bar in January 1939. During the

year 1939 he was associated with the law firm of Weiss and Rhoads of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. One of the partners, Paul H. Rhoads was a member of Rho Deuteron Chapter and graduated from Gettysburg in 1928. During this period



CARL CHRONISTER

Carl also served as chapter adviser of Rho Deuteron.

In January of 1940 he was appointed associate counsel of the Board of Finance and Revenue, the tax appeal body of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In 1942 he was sworn into office as a Deputy Attorney General in the Department of Justice and shortly thereafter he was placed in charge of all corporation tax litigation, in which field he had specialized.

Brother Chronister was awarded a commission in the Navy in November 1943. Attached to the air branch, he was assigned duty at Pensacola Naval Air Station for approximately two years. He was stationed at Philadelphia for

several months before being discharged in March 1946, when he returned to his position with the Department of Justice.

In October 1942 he was married to

Martha Jane Herman, daughter of Rev. Stewart W. Herman, late national chaplain of Phi Sigma Kappa. They have a daughter, Judith Lynn, 3, and a son Carl Stewart, 2 years of age.

## Dr. Rudisill Appointed Chaplain

The Reverend Stewart Hartman Rudisill, D.D., Gettysburg '12, has been named Chaplain of Phi Sigma Kappa to fill the vacancy created by the death of Dr. Stew-



DR. STEWART H. RUDISILL

art W. Herman on December 16, 1947.

Dr. Rudisill graduated from Gettysburg Seminary in 1915. He was married to Ethel Whittaker of Stamford, Connecticut in the same year. Their two children are following in their father's footsteps — Rev. Glenn H. Rudisill, Gettysburg '39 is pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Dumont, New Jersey, and Alvin S. Rudisill is a junior at Gettysburg, studying for the ministry.

Dr. Rudisill served the following churches: Salona, Pennsylvania, 1915-1917; Albany, New York, 1917-1920; Elizabeth, New Jersey, 1920-1929; and Norwood, Pennsylvania, 1929-1933. He has been pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Collingswood, New Jersey since 1933. In 1946 he received the degree of doctor of divinity.

He has been president of the Board of Synodical Missions of the Synod of Central Pennsylvania for 12 years, treasurer of the Board of Lutheran Missions to the Jews for 8 years, and he has been president of the Collingswood Ministerial Association and president of the New Jersey District of the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Synod of Central Pennsylvania.

At the present time he is president and a member of the board of directors of the Lutheran Home of New Jersey, a member of the board of directors of the Lutheran Youth Camp Association of New Jersey, and a member of the board of directors of the Collingswood Y.M.C.A. He is also active in the Collingswood Rotary Club and the Collingswood Masonic Lodge No. 210.

### WAGNER TO QUIT SENATE

Robert F. Wagner, Zeta '98, Senator from New York, will announce shortly his resignation from the Senate, due to ill health.

Unable to assume recent Senate activities, Brother Wagner was formerly one of the Senate's most active members, fathering the Wagner Labor Act.

# The Secretary-Treasurer and Editor of The Signet Reports

The last convention which undergraduates of Phi Sigma Kappa attended was held December 31, 1942 and January 1, 1943 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. That is now nearly six years ago. We had already been in war over a year. We had forty-two chapters and a balance sheet showing a surplus of \$12,703.86 when we embarked upon this uncertain period, the longest one in the history of Phi Sigma Kappa in which no convention was held. During this period our chapter roll reached a low of sixteen operating chapters. These chapters, together with the splendid efforts of a hard working Council, the general support of a loyal group of alumni, and the tireless work, energy, and enthusiasm of the returning veteran brothers in rebuilding their chapters, make it possible for me to report to you today, with justifiable pride, that we have at the end of this trying period not a weak fraternity but a much stronger fraternity; one of fifty-two chapters and a balance sheet showing a surplus of \$27,073.35.

## INITIATES

During the period under review 3,480 men have been initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa. Delta Chapter (West Virginia) lead with 140 initiates; Lambda (George Washington) was second with 124; Epsilon Deuteron (W.P.I.) was third with 119; Eta Triton (Akron) was fourth with 111 and Pi (F. & M.) was fifth with 110 initiates. During this period Xi Chapter (St. Lawrence) initiated 55 men in the academic year 1946-1947. This is the largest number of initiates ever to be initiated by a chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa during an academic year. During the last academic year Mu Triton Chapter (Boston U.) lead with 54 initiates, Delta Deuteron Chapter (Michigan) was second with 42 initiates, and Xi Chapter was third with 38 initiates. The average initiations per chapter during the last academic year was 20.2. The total number of initiations for the year ending June 30, 1948 was 1,010. This is a new high for initiations in Phi Sigma Kappa and came up from a low of 168 initiations in the academic year 1943-1944.

## 1948 CONVENTION EXPENSE

It is estimated that the cost of this convention will be approximately \$19,659.00. It is estimated that the traveling expenses of chapter delegates will be approximately \$5,603.00. If all Chapter Advisers eligible to come would come this expense would be duplicated. However, it is believed that all Chapter Advisers will not attend the convention and that \$3,900 will adequately cover their travel expense. National officers' travel expense, convention committee expense, printing, publicity, and entertainment including the national fraternity subsidy of that entertainment complete the convention expense budget. The convention committee felt that no larger fee than \$35.00 for men and \$25.00 for women should be charged as a registration fee. The cost of the items covered by this registration fee exceed the fee; the loss is absorbed by the national fraternity as a convention cost.

## CHAPTER REHABILITATION AND EXPANSION

During the last academic year \$4,213.21 was spent on Chapter Rehabilitation and Expansion exclusive of salaries. In the academic year preceding, \$4,743.08 was spent in that field. The year before that \$2,029.63 was spent. This program com-

menced with the employment of Brother Walter F. Ackerman on February 15, 1946. As a Field Secretary, Brother Ackerman worked on this program from that date until November 15, 1947 when he resigned to take other employment. He was succeeded in that work by Field Secretary William N. Zimmerman. As a result of the combined efforts of these men, our national officers, and the national headquarters, and the expenditure of \$13,510.92 in this program to date, the national fraternity has been able to re-establish Pi Deuteron Chapter (on May 26, 1946) and establish nine new chapters since May, 1947. The following new chapters were inducted into Phi Sigma Kappa on the dates indicated.

Theta Triton—University of Texas—May 4, 1947

Iota Triton—University of Connecticut—May 23, 1947

Kappa Triton—Fresno State College—May 31, 1947

Lambda Triton—Rhode Island State College—February 22, 1948

Mu Triton—Boston University—April 3, 1948

Nu Triton—Hartwick College—April 10, 1948

Xi Triton—San Jose State College—May 23, 1948

Omicron Triton—University of California at Davis—May 28, 1948

Pi Triton—Eastern Washington State College—June 26, 1948

#### INDUCTION EXPENSES

The immediate cost of inducting the six chapters installed during the academic year ending June 30, 1948 was \$2,109.38. The cost of inducting the three chapters installed in May 1947, was \$1,779.43. Thus, the total cost of these inductions over and above items charged to the Chapter Rehabilitation and Expansion account is \$3,888.81.

#### SIGNET

The number of pages, the circulation and the cost of each of the issues of The *Signet* published in the period covered by this report are as follows:

#### 1942 - 1943

	ISSUE	PAGES	CIRCULATION	COST
Oct.	1942	80	3,000	\$1,057.39
Jan.	1943	64	3,225	997.41
Mar.	1943	92	3,020	1,299.51
May	1943	64	2,850	854.51
				<hr/> \$4,208.82
Extra postage and morgue proof sheets cost.....				19.47
Total.....				<hr/> \$4,228.29
Average cost per copy.....				34.9 cents

#### 1943 - 1944

Oct.	1943	80	3,300	\$1,206.36
Jan.	1944	52	3,600	745.12
Mar.	1944	40	3,700	671.13
May	1944	48	3,100	689.09
				<hr/> \$3,311.70
Extra postage and morgue proof sheets cost.....				237.64
Total.....				<hr/> \$3,549.34
Average cost per copy.....				25.9 cents

## 1944 - 1945

Oct.	1944	96	3,560	\$1,415.48
Jan.	1945	64	3,584	1,068.00
Mar.	1945	40	3,397	632.58
May	1945	48	3,700	677.18

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\$3,794.24

Extra postage and morgue proof sheets cost..... 67.10

Total..... 

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\$3,861.34

Average cost per copy..... 27.1 cents

## 1945 - 1946

	ISSUE	PAGES	CIRCULATION	COST
Oct.	1945	104	4,500	\$1,571.84
Jan.	1946	64	4,095	1,185.62
Mar.	1946	40	4,100	826.31
May	1946	80	4,650	1,506.45

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\$5,090.22

Extra postage and morgue proof sheets cost..... 174.05

Total..... 

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\$5,264.27

Average cost per copy..... 30.4 cents

## 1946 - 1947

Oct.	1946	120	4,300	\$2,147.45
Jan.	1947	112	3,700	1,805.10
Mar.	1947	64	3,550	964.96
May	1947	112	4,650	1,555.68

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\$6,473.19

Extra postage and morgue proof sheets cost..... 124.91

Total..... 

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\$6,598.10

Average cost per copy..... 40.7 cents

## 1947 - 1948

Nov.	1947	120	4,400	\$2,305.71
Jan.	1948	112	4,200	1,969.69
Mar.	1948	96	4,300	1,846.31
May	1948	160	5,000	2,798.41

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\$8,920.41

Extra postage and morgue proof sheets cost..... 217.52

Total..... 

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\$9,137.93

Average cost per copy..... 51.0 cents

The National Headquarters made every effort to send gratuitous copies of *The Signet* to brothers with the armed forces wherever located. Among the many nice compliments received from the brothers who received such *Signets* is that of Brother John A. Ulinski, Jr., Gamma '46, who wrote: "Many thanks for the two issues of *The Signet*. I am truly grateful for this contact with the fraternity. I am stationed with the advanced echelon of the Fifth Air Force. Every move has taken me farther away from Phi Sigma Kappa, but your magazine affords the ties for which I have been searching. You have been doing a great job of preserving that fraternity bond. Best wishes for your continued success."

The Liberty Bell Contest sponsored by *The Signet* in the academic year 1944-45 and won by Miss Eileen Holland of the University of Southern California was exceeded in popularity and success only by the Moonlight Girl Contest sponsored by *The Signet* during the last academic year and won by Miss Ruth Sawyer of San Antonio, Texas. Miss Sawyer, a member of Delta Gamma was sponsored by Theta Triton Chapter.

#### ALUMNI SUPPORT DURING WAR YEARS

Twelve hundred alumni contributed \$21,978.27 to the support of the national fraternity in the War Emergency Fund campaign and the three Stand-in Fund campaigns which followed. In the same period this alumni group contributed \$8,305.00 in the form of alumni dues. This is a total contribution of \$30,283.27 in the five year period commencing July 1, 1942 and ending June 30, 1947, years of war and chapter rehabilitation.

#### LIFE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

In two years of operation the Life Membership Fund has grown to be a fund of \$26,236.40. The interest earned on the \$10,094.00 in the Life Membership Fund on June 30, 1947 during the academic year 1947-1948 of \$379.50 is at the rate of 3.7 per cent.

At the current rate of initiations it is only a matter of a few years until the Life Membership Fund will have grown to a size which will be of a real service value to our fraternity. It will enable us to invest a portion of the fund in good first mortgage chapter house loans. In addition, the fraternity will be performing the more important service of keeping alumni interest alive through the medium of a *Signet* for every member for life.

#### ENDOWMENT FUND

The Endowment Fund as originally created was ultra conservative; only the interest from the fund being made available to fraternity use. The first step toward making this fund more serviceable to our fraternity was taken at the 1942 Convention. At that convention amendments to the Trust Agreement were voted so as to enable the making of loans through the Grand Chapter. The Endowment Trust Agreement provides that to be effective amendments must be passed by two successive general conventions of the fraternity. Under powers granted to them by the 1942 Convention the President and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Grand Chapter called the thirty-first general convention of the Grand Chapter which convened in Chicago on August 11, 1945. At that convention the amendments passed to the Endowment Trust Fund Agreement by the 1942 Convention were again passed, thereby giving legal effect to such amendments and enabling the Endowment Trustees to make loans to the Grand Chapter.

The Grand Chapter obtained a loan from the Endowment Trust Fund under



these amendments on March 3, 1947. The amount of the loan was \$4,000 and the Grand Chapter in turn loaned that money to Eta Chapter (Maryland) to help it finance the purchase of its chapter house.

#### THE FOUNDATION

The lack of attractiveness of the Endowment Fund for voluntary contributions results from the fact that brothers contributing to that fund are not able to deduct the amount of the contribution from their income tax returns. In view of this fact the Council encouraged the organization of a separate corporation; one which would be eligible for such gifts. The Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation (Incorporated) was incorporated in the state of Delaware on October 8, 1947.

The incorporators are National President, Herbert L. Brown, former National President William A. McIntyre, former Director of Region II, William E. Zimmerman, and former trustee of the Endowment Fund, Leighton P. Stradley.

The object for which this corporation was formed and for which it exists is to operate solely and exclusively as a beneficent, charitable, literary and educational organization not for profit. This corporation has the power to receive gifts, bequests, grants, contributions and the like which shall be used exclusively for beneficent, charitable, literary and educational purposes and the administration of the corporation, particularly scholarships, student aid and assistance to needy and deserving students as well as recognition of high scholastic attainment and the development and fostering of the aims and purposes of The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

The incorporators held their meeting in Philadelphia on October 21, 1947, and at that meeting elected a board of fifteen trustees in groups of five, for three years, two years and one year respectively.

The first meeting of the trustees was held on November 5, 1947 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and at that meeting the following officers were elected. President, Arthur M. Metzler, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '16; first vice-president, Herbert L. Brown, Phi (Swarthmore) '16; second vice-president, William F. Wood, Xi (St. Lawrence) '10; and secretary-treasurer, Earl F. Schoening, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '21. At that same meeting Earl F. Schoening was made chairman of the Executive Committee to which committee Brother Ralph J. Watts, Alpha (Massachusetts) '07, and George W. Stark, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '31 were also elected.

Pursuant to proper application for the same the United States Treasury Department on December 9, issued a temporary ruling that contributions to the Foundation will be deductible by individual and corporate donors in the manner and to the extent provided by section 23 (o) and (q) of the Internal Revenue Code as amended. The language of that ruling is as follows:

"Careful consideration has been given to the statements as outlined above as to your purposes and the activities in which you will engage for the accomplishment of such purposes and based solely on such statements it has been concluded that your purposes and contemplated activities come within the provisions of section 101 (6) of the Internal Revenue Code.

"It is therefore the opinion of this office that if you carry on operations in accordance with the provisions of your certificate of incorporation and By-laws and if your activities are exclusively charitable, educational, etc. as those terms are interpreted by the Bureau as appearing in section 101 (6) of the Internal Revenue Code and if no part of your net earnings inures to the benefit of any private individual

you will be considered to be a corporation organized and operated exclusively for charitable and/or educational purposes within the meaning of section 101(6) of the Internal Revenue Code and contributions to you will be deductible by individual and corporate donors in the manner and to the extent provided by section 23(o) and (q) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended."

The Council made a contribution to the Foundation of \$750.00 so that it could carry on certain administrative work and develop a scholarship program.

As soon as the Foundation acquires an experience in the development of a scholarship program and the United States Treasury Department is apprised of that fact, it is hoped that the temporary ruling that contributions to the Foundation will be deductible by individual and corporate donors on their income tax returns be made permanent. In view of these developments it is hoped that many of our alumni will be exceedingly generous in making contributions to the Foundation so that the development of scholarship, one of our cardinal principles, may be developed to the fullest.

#### AID TO CHAPTERS

During the 1942-1944 biennium of the period under review the national fraternity spent \$1,026.64 in direct aid to the chapters. All of this sum except \$300.00 was spent during the first year of this biennium. In that year the Grand Chapter employed Brother Walter F. Ackerman, Beta Triton '42, as Field Secretary from September 13, 1942 to October 31, 1942, the date Brother Ackerman entered service. This brief but important employment was of immense value to Xi Chapter where he spent most of his time. In addition he visited briefly Beta and Chi Chapters. The recipient of all of the aid in the second year of this biennium was Beta Deuteron Chapter.

Twice in the biennium of 1944-1946 the national fraternity, at its expense, sent a six man initiation team from Rho Deuteron Chapter to Eta Triton Chapter to assist the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Akron in re-establishing Eta Triton Chapter by putting on initiation ceremonies. The combined cost of these trips was \$557.02.

In addition, the Grand Chapter made a loan to Tau Chapter of \$500.00 to assist Tau Chapter in balancing its budget in accordance with the requirements of Dartmouth College. Two hundred and fifty dollars of the proceeds of this loan were taken from the Emergency Fund and the balance from the general funds of the Council. Half of this loan was repaid by Tau. A similar loan was made to Theta Triton Chapter during the academic year 1947-1948, which loan was fully repaid by that chapter before June 30, 1948.

The Grand Chapter shall never forget and shall ever be grateful to the alumni for the assistance given to it and to the chapters in helping to re-establish our chapters closed by the war. For the most part all of our chapters are in a healthy and prosperous condition today. A few are still handicapped by the lack of housing. Where such conditions exist committees are on the alert to solve the situation at the earliest possible time. Chapters which are housed should not rush into building programs or chapter house purchases in a market so unfavorable to the purchaser. Steps in that direction should be taken only after careful consideration by the alumni and in accordance with their expert guidance.

#### CHAPTER VISITATION AND INSPECTION

All of the present Regional Directors have given the chapters good inspection service. In the six years under review \$11,169.25 has been spent in that service.

National President, Herbert L. Brown has materially aided in this program with his frequent visitations. Your Secretary has made as many visitations as time away from the national headquarters would allow. He reported in detail on his western trip in his article entitled "Secretary's Western Conclave Diary" published in the March, 1947, *Signet*. In addition he attended every Conclave held since the close of World War II. Your Secretary-Treasurer and Editor also attended the Annual National College Fraternity Editors Association meetings, the National College Fraternity Secretaries Association meetings, as well as the National Interfraternity Conferences held during the years of the period under review.

All of the national officers have been active in attending Founders' Day celebrations during the years covered by this report.

The national fraternity had no Field Secretary during the time that Brother Ackerman was in service. He returned to the employ of the Grand Chapter on February 15, 1946 and continued in its employment until November 15, 1947.

In the autumn of 1946 the Grand Chapter also employed Brother William Gott, Delta '46, as a Field Secretary. He also served in that capacity until February 28, 1947, when he had to resign on account of the serious illness of his father and mother. Before his resignation, however, Brother Gott visited our chapters at St. Lawrence, Williams, Union, W.P.I., Massachusetts, M.I.T., Stephens, C.C.N.Y., Lehigh, George Washington, American University, Maryland, West Virginia, Michigan and Illinois. He attended the meetings of the National Interfraternity Conference in New York City in the autumn of 1946.

In the autumn of 1947 the Grand Chapter was fortunate to secure the services of Brother William N. Zimmerman, Rho Deuteron (Gettysburg) '47, as Field Secretary for Phi Sigma Kappa. Brother Zimmerman has an excellent personality; he has visited most of the chapters; and he has inspired the confidence of undergraduates and alumni alike wherever he has visited. He is doing excellent work for The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

When Brother Ackerman returned to the services of the Grand Chapter his special assignment was the re-establishment of Pi Deuteron Chapter at Columbus, Ohio. He got splendid assistance from the alumni in Columbus and from Ohio State University. Brother William Galbreath, Jr., Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '42, a graduate student at Ohio State University at that time, was very helpful. The re-establishment of the chapter is a credit to all of these brothers.

During the academic year 1946-1947 Brother Ackerman made a very minute and detailed survey of expansion possibilities principally in the area lying west of the Mississippi River. He is largely responsible for the development of our chapter at the University of Texas, a very fine chapter indeed.

With the resignation of Brother Ackerman, Brother Zimmerman was called in from field secretarial work to take over Brother Ackerman's work in connection with the expansion program.

#### REGIONAL CONCLAVES

Conclaves for the several regions were held as follows:

Region II—May 18, 1946—Mu Chapter House, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Region I—June 22, 1946—Epsilon Deuteron Chapter House—Worcester, Massachusetts.

Region IV—December 7, 1946—Fort Hayes Hotel, Columbus, Ohio.

Region VI—February 7, 8, 9, 1947—Theta Deuteron Chapter House—Corvallis, Oregon.

Region V—February 15, 16, 1947—Omega Deuteron Chapter House—Los Angeles, California.

Region III—April 11, 12, 1947—Andrew Johnson Hotel—Knoxville, Tennessee

Region I—October 18, 1947—Epsilon Deuteron Chapter House—Worcester, Massachusetts.

In order to make these Regional Conclaves possible the Grand Chapter paid the expense of holding them. This was another gesture on the part of the national fraternity to more firmly re-establish the chapters. The total sum expended by the national fraternity in the holding of these Conclaves was \$1,941.59.

#### OTHER SERVICES

During the entire period under review the Grand Chapter has continued to provide other special gratuitous services such as further development and distribution of the Phi Sigma Kappa historical motion picture; the distribution of *Banta's Greek Exchange* and the *Fraternity Month*, the distribution of the National Interfraternity Conference Year Books and the National Interfraternity Conference publication entitled, "College Fraternities." Under the direction of Brother D. R. Collins, Director from Region IV, the Grand Chapter developed a booklet entitled "How To Sell Phi Sigma Kappa"; this work has been found to be of invaluable assistance in rush training. The Grand Chapter has continued to supply rushing folders. It has developed a Chapter Adviser's Manual for the guidance of chapter advisers and has continued to supply accounting forms for the Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity accounting system.

#### OUTLINE FOR PLEDGE EDUCATION

In the period under review the Grand Chapter published three pledge manuals. The one published in January 1943 cost \$447.14; the sixth edition published in 1946 cost \$826.86; and the seventh edition published in January 1947 cost \$1,661.92. Our fraternity has received many fine compliments from other national fraternities on our *Outline for Pledge Education*. I believe we may take a modest pride in the appearance of our case bound copies; they make a most attractive publication.

#### ADDRESS LISTS

Still another service provided the chapters by the Grand Chapter is the preparation and distribution of address lists. During the last academic year this service has been improved by having the entire address list duplicated. The duplicate plates are filed alphabetically within each chapter. The original plates are filed geographically.

The national headquarters has been complimented by executives of other fraternities on the small list of unknowns. We have less than one thousand out of a total membership of 19,593. The chapter secretaries can further assist us to reduce our list of unknowns by supplying us with address lists of members of their chapter and by urging their alumni to notify us promptly of address changes.

#### NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

The national headquarters is a very busy place every day of the work year. From this center of Phi Sigma Kappa activity, the chapter rehabilitation and expansion program is directed. Your Secretary keeps in almost daily contact with the Traveling Secretary in charge of this program. Here *The Signet* is laid out, page by page; much copy is written and that copy which is received from outside sources is reviewed

and, where necessary, corrected for one reason or another and in some instances retyped. The Outline for Pledge Education is prepared by the national headquarters in the same manner.

Your Secretary must keep abreast of the securities market and keep the budget committee informed as to the Life Membership money on hand for investments and confer with that committee about investments, making them when agreed upon.

The national headquarters handles the entire processing of chapter house loans where made with money borrowed from the Endowment Fund or Life Membership Fund. As in all real estate loan transactions, there is almost the same amount of work involved in applications which are rejected as in those which are acted upon favorably. Where the Grand Chapter takes title, the Secretary must demand such instruments as will adequately protect the Grand Chapter in the investment.

Twice a year, the national headquarters mails alumni dues notices to the entire membership and otherwise makes a complete address check; as a result of this activity the changing of addresses on address cards and addressograph plates is a daily function.

The national headquarters directs the chapter inspection activity of the Field Secretary assigned to that work and confers with the Regional Directors with respect to such inspections; it makes loans to chapters on proper recommendations and actions of national officers. No day ever passes that supplies of some sort are not sent to some chapter.

### PROGNOSIS

It should be obvious to one reading this report that The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa provides tremendous services for the fraternity dollar that is received by it. In addition to the services already provided, it is the ambition of the Council to provide a still better chapter inspection service than is now in effect. A better accounting analysis service to the chapters is another. The time has also arrived for the publication of another history of Phi Sigma Kappa, an adequate Gold Star memorial book, a directory, possibly a new record, and a new song book embodying orchestrations. The publication of the eighth edition of the *Outline for Pledge Education* is at hand, as well as, in view of our expansion, a revised rushing folder.

### BROTHERS IN SERVICE

According to the best information available, 2474 brothers served in the armed forces of our country. Of this number 1114 were officers. According to the best records available to the national headquarters, 130 brothers paid the supreme sacrifice in World War II.

### CHAPTER INVISIBLE

It is with further regret that your Secretary records the passing to the Chapter Invisible of former National President (1902-1904) Oscar R. Worm, Zeta '98, on September 26, 1942; John Ashburton Cutter, Alpha '82, former National President (1900-1902), on February 13, 1944; John W. Goff, Theta '01, former member of the Council and the Court of Honor (1902-1910), on December 18, 1944; Walter H. Conley, Beta '91, former National President (1914-1922), on January 9, 1946; M. E. Hopkins, Chi '09, Deputy of the Council in 1936, 1939 and 1940, on August 27, 1945; Sherwood Le Fevre, Beta '91, author of the final obligation of the ritual of Phi Sigma Kappa as well as the opening and closing ceremonies of our meetings, and a member of the Council from February 20, 1891 to December, 1892, on March 17, 1946; John H. Marchmont, former National President (1940-1946), on June 14, 1947; Edwin M.

Hartman, Pi '95, former National Vice President (1906-1908), on June 20, 1947; Frederick G. Farquhar, Mu '00, former National Treasurer (1902-1904), on November 19, 1947; and Stewart W. Herman Sr., Rho Deuteron '99, Chaplain of the Grand Chapter since 1934, on December 16, 1947.

Former Field Secretary, Lt. Robert L. Faber, Alpha Deuteron '35, one of our Gold Stars, was killed on April 16, 1944. Brother Faber was Field Secretary for the Grand Chapter from September 1, 1937 to April 1, 1940. He left a bequest to The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa and Alpha Deuteron Chapter of \$500 to be divided equally between them.

### THE COUNCIL

The Council of Phi Sigma Kappa held the following meetings: August 15, 16, 1942 at Chicago; December 31, 1942 at Philadelphia; January 1, 2, 1943 at Philadelphia; August 14, 15, 1943 at Chicago; August 11, 12, 13, 1944 at Chicago; August 10, 11, 12, 1945 at Chicago; August 9, 10, 11, 1946 at Chicago; August 14, 15, 16, 17, 1947 at Chicago.

The Council of our fraternity during the period under review has been an exceedingly hard-working Council. The period was an extremely critical one, with many difficult problems to be solved. I am sure that our fraternity feels that all these problems were capably handled by it.

It has, indeed, been a pleasure for your Secretary-Treasurer and Editor and his entire staff to serve the members of the fraternity at all times.

## Pfeiffer Gets Supervisor Post

John Pfeiffer, Nu (Lehigh) '22, well known in Phi Sig circles, has been ap-

pointed Supervisor in Region One to assist Regional Director Donald G. Downing.

Brother Pfeiffer originally comes from Washington, D. C. After graduation from Lehigh with a degree in chemical engineering he moved to the South, living in Georgia and the Carolinas for ten years. While there he handled X-Ray Sales and Service. In 1932 he moved to New England, where he has made his home ever since. He has been connected with Eastman Kodak Company for almost 20 years, and at the present time he holds the position of Technical Adviser of the Medical Division.

"Chick," as his friends call him, lives in Auburndale, Massachusetts (a suburb of Boston) with his wife and family. Mrs. Pfeiffer, the former Sarah Shields, is a graduate of Agnes Scott College in Atlanta, Georgia. Jack, the oldest child, is a sophomore at Wesleyan; Peggy, aged 16, attends Dana Hall at Wellesley.



JOHN PFEIFFER

# The Council Meets

The Council of Phi Sigma Kappa met at the Somerset Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts on Monday afternoon and evening of August 9, 1948 and Tuesday, August 10. National President Herbert L. Brown previewed that portion of his Convention report embodying his recommendations for the improvement of Phi Sigma Kappa and the reasons for those recommendations. The balance of the afternoon session was devoted to a very careful review of the report of the Secretary-Treasurer and Editor of *THE SIGNET*. The report of the Secretary-Treasurer and Editor of *THE SIGNET* covered the period from the last Convention attended by undergraduates, held in 1942 to June 30, 1948 as well as the report of Carleton M. Tower & Company, certified public accountants of Chicago, Illinois who audited the records and accounts of the Secretary-Treasurer. At the conclusion of this review the Council by unanimous vote approved the report of the Secretary-Treasurer, Editor of *THE SIGNET* and report of the auditor.

In the evening session, the Council discussed at length the matter of chapter inspections by Regional Directors, the advisability of dividing the regions into smaller districts and placing at the head of each of such districts a supervisor whose duty it would be to make chapter inspections of the chapters in his district. The Council also discussed the type of service given by the Chapter Advisers and the lack of such service in certain quarters, and ways and means of correcting that situation where it exists. This discussion resulted in the Council recommending that the recommendations committee consider the advisability of subdividing the existing regions into districts of not more than four or five chapters per district and placing at the head of each of such district a supervisor, who would be appointed either by the Coun-

cil or the President upon recommendation of the Regional Director, and who would be drawn from the pool of Chapter Advisers.

A lengthy discussion of the Life Membership program took up the remaining time of the evening meeting.

On Tuesday, the Council carefully considered the office of Alumni Secretary and by unanimous vote resolved that the office of Alumni Secretary be continued and that a committee be appointed which committee in conjunction with the Alumni Secretary should work out a plan for increasing the interest of our alumni in the national fraternity. National President Herbert L. Brown appointed Brothers Ralph J. Watts, D. R. Collins and Franklin C. Palm to this committee, naming Brother Watts as chairman.

The Council next carefully reviewed the fraternity's expansion program. It concluded that the program should be continued and it discussed matters relating to its continuance.

National President Brown reported to the Council on the work that had been done on the creation of the Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation, Incorporated. He also reported on the progress made to date in connection with his four years work on the revision of the ritual and at that time announced the following ritual committee: Herbert L. Brown, D. R. Collins, Richard W. Stoeltzing, J. C. Powell, Robert L. Reed, Harold M. Adler, George Richards and Ralph E. Reichhold. Brother Brown further announced that it was the function of this committee to receive suggestions and criticisms that may result from the exemplification of the ritual scheduled for the Friday evening session of the Convention.

After some discussion, the Council decided against the publication of a new directory at this time.

The Council by unanimous vote ap-

proved the collaboration of Brother Ralph J. Watts and Brother Frank P. Rand in bringing the Phi Sigma Kappa History up-to-date for publication at such time in 1949 as seemed appropriate. It also recommended that the Program of Services be brought to date by re-editing and that it be incorporated in the *Outline For Pledge Education*.

The Council previewed the report of the Endowment Trustees and voted to accept the same.

Following a further discussion of the Life Membership program, the Council voted to recommend to the recommendations committee that the Grand Chapter Taxes be \$35.00 and the undergraduate dues be \$2.50 per month for the months of October through May of the academic year out of which undergraduate dues income the Council pay \$1.25 per month into the Paid-Up Life Membership Fund.

The post-Convention Council personnel included the same personnel as that of the pre-Convention Council plus the addition of Brother Carl Chronister, Rho Deuteron (Gettysburg) '35, elected Director from Region II by the Convention. This Council met at the Somerset on August 15, 1948 and devoted the morning session to organization routine. In the afternoon this Council also carefully reviewed the matter of expansion and by resolution continued the following brothers as the expansion committee of the Grand Chapter; National President Herbert L. Brown, Secretary-Treasurer and Editor of *THE SIGNET*, Earl F. Schoening, and Director-at-Large Ralph J. Watts.

National President Brown reappointed Brother Ralph J. Watts as chairman of the scholarship program of the Grand Chapter. He also appointed Brother Edward L. Howell, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '27, Alumni Secretary and Dr. Stewart H. Rudisill, Rho Deuteron (Gettysburg) '12, Chaplain. National President Brown also reappointed Joseph H. Batt, Lambda (George Washington)

'14, whose term as an Endowment Trustee expired with the Convention, to the Board of Endowment Trustees.

### ZIMMERMAN ELECTED TO COURT OF HONOR

William Ellis Zimmerman, Lambda (Geo. Washington) '23 was elected to



WILLIAM E. ZIMMERMAN

the Court of Honor at the convention in August, and was subsequently named Recorder. Brother Zimmerman has been active in the fraternity for many years. He was a member of the Council from 1934-1936, serving as Vice-President from Region II.

**Phil Smith**, Massachusetts '97, who recently retired as chief chemist of the Massachusetts Feed and Fertilizer Control Service with which organization he had served 48 years, was honored at the last annual conference of the New England Feedmen, an organization of manufacturers, dealers, and representatives of the agricultural feed industry.



# Ed Howell Appointed Alumni Secretary

The Council has appointed Edward L. Howell, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '27, to the office of Alumni Secretary of Phi Sigma Kappa. The constant travel demanded of him by his business and his enthusiastic loyalty to the fraternity make him an admirable choice.

Brother Howell's life has unconsciously and consciously been moving in, out, and throughout Phi Sigma Kappa since before he graduated from Bryn Mawr High School in Chicago with Bill Schoening, Alpha Deuteron '27. They went to Bowen High School together. Bill and Ed joined the high school band — Bill with his piccolo and Ed with his tuba. (Bill, Ted Lassagne and Ding Johnson, class of '26 formed the Bowen Rhythm Kings, a dance band, and were subsequently taken in as Phi Sigs as they came to the Illinois campus and made Alpha Deuteron famous on the campus with their nightly jam sessions.) Ed left these embryo Phi Sigs while in high school, however, and went to Bloomington, Illinois to play football and the heavy bass in the band there, rejoining them later on the University of Illinois campus.

As a freshman at Illinois he made the football band, the freshman football squad, and won numerals in wrestling. He and his tuba also joined the Phi Sigma Kappa dance band known as the Illini Rhythm Kings, an organization which made a habit of walking away with all of the stunt show cups on the campus.

In 1927 Ed, a junior in railway mechanical engineering, left school "for a year" with all the enthusiasm of an undergraduate who needed cash. Before returning, seven years later, he was a draftsman, engineer, and construction superintendent for Walgreen Company,

putting in drug stores throughout the Middle West. During this period he helped induct Beta Triton at Knox Col-



EDWARD L. HOWELL

lege, and was active in the Chicago Alumni Club.

He married Viola Ryskamp, a Chicago girl a year before graduating from Illinois in 1936. Another important event at this time was his trip to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania to compete in the Olympic final tryouts in wrestling.

Crane Company, for whom Ed worked after graduating as a sales engineer in industrial, power, and refinery piping, transferred him to Houston, Texas in 1937, where he has made his home ever since. At the present time he is head of Howell Engineers, a firm of sales engineers which he organized in 1946.

His business requires about 60,000 miles of automobile travel in Texas and Louisiana, and three or four trips to Chicago each year. As he drives about the vast Southwest he snoops about university campus grounds for likely boiler prospects and Phi Sig chapters. He says school expansion, power plant expansion,



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Left to right: Mert Scott, Bill Schoening, Ed Howell; Illinois First Regiment Bandmen

and fraternity expansion go hand in hand, and he is having a grand time combining the three.

Ed finds Phi Sigs wherever he goes, and the chain trails are interesting. Where there was one known Phi Sig two years ago he now knows 150. One week he will see Fritz Hurley, Lambda (George Washington) '22 in Longview, Texas or Bill Roundtree, Gamma (Cornell) '34, or LeRoy Smullenburger, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '34 in Shreveport, and the next few days he will be on the Rio Grande River spending the night with Ham McPherson, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '34 or Stub Hancock, Alpha Deuteron (Illinois) '18. In the past year he has either talked to or written to all the known alumni in Texas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma.

Brother Howell, Jerry Harshaw, Iota Deuteron (Kansas State) '36, and Art Manson, Omicron (M.I.T.) '34 were re-

sponsible for the formation of the San Jacinto Club of Texas Phi Sigma Kappa. He is president of the club, and deserves a great deal of credit for the fine job he has done in assisting Theta Triton with their problems.

He claims he also helped Theta Triton select the Phi Sig Moonlight Girl. Be that as it may, the colored movie film which he took of the candidates is being used to advantage by the chapter at the University of Texas, as well as Texas alumni.

The latest is that Ed and Harold Young, Lambda (George Washington) '26 of Dallas are planning to found a Dallas and Ft. Worth Alumni Club within the next few weeks to help support fraternity expansion in the Southwest.

At this point, you have undoubtedly reached the conclusion that Phi Sigma Kappa's new Alumni Secretary is a go-getter!

## TIME TO PLAY

Leslie A. Jones, Brown '26 has an interesting hobby of collecting and repairing old clocks. In connection with his hobby he has written a book entitled *Eli Terry, Clockmaker of Connecticut*, and the three-act comedy, *The Tick-Tock Man*.

His field, however, is drama. After graduation from Brown University he became alumni adviser to Sock and Buskin, undergraduate dramatic organization, and embarked upon an extensive career as a scenic artist in numerous theaters throughout the country. He is the author of the books, *Painting Scenery* and *Scenic Design and Model Building*, and was illustrator for the recent book, *Upstage, Downstage*, by Prof. Ben Brown. He has also been associated with The Players, Providence.

Brother Jones is technical director of dramatics at Brown, and recently the university announced his promotion to assistant professor of English.

# Bates to Act as Supervisor In Region One

Curtis E. Bates, Xi (St. Lawrence) '30, has been appointed Supervisor by President Herbert L. Brown to assist Regional Director Donald G. Downing. He is also president of Xi Chapter's Alumni Association, serving his third year. He has been instrumental in the reactivation of the Xi Chapter and the rehabilitation of the chapter house following the end of the second World War.

He was initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa at Xi Chapter February 23, 1927, and served his chapter as inductor, secretary, and president continuously as an undergraduate. He graduated from St. Lawrence University in 1930 with a B.S. degree in biology and chemistry. During his junior and senior years in college he was a student assistant in the biology department.

Brother Bates is a former science teacher and is now employed as a chemist with General Cable Corporation at the Rome, New York plant, which position he has held for the last eight years.

He is married to the former Phila E. Strout of Billerica and Boston, Massachusetts, who has been adopted by the present chapter at St. Lawrence and become the unofficial "house mother." Mrs. Bates has already attended two national Phi Sig conventions and is a regular visitor at Xi. (It's reported that Curt gets an even greater welcome at Xi, if that's possible, when the Mrs. accompanies him.)

Brother Bates is an active member of many Masonic organizations, the Hathaway Lodge No. 869, F. & A.M. and Zeba Grotto of Rome, Mohawk Valley Consistory and Ziyara Temple, A.A.O.N. M.S. of Utica, N.Y. He's a member of the Shrine's Rome Legion of Honor, and is a former secretary and now vice-president of the Rome Scottish Rite Club.

He is also a member of the Advisory Board of the Rome Chapter of DeMolay.

He has many interests, aside from fraternal bodies. He's an active member of



CURT BATES

the local Civic Music Association and devotes considerable time to Scouting and other youth organizations. Chief among his so-called hobbies is his interest in ornithology. He's been a naturalist all his life, and says he's been an amateur field ornithologist ever since he can remember, and recalls studying shore birds along the levees of the New York State Barge Canal at the time the canal was excavated. He continues his field work in ornithology as time permits, and still travels along shores of streams and lakes, through marshes and swamps, on the water and over the mountains in pursuit of his favorite hobby. He has a fine library on ornithology which has been acquired

over the years through diligent search. An associate member of the American Ornithologists' Union, he is also a member of several similar societies concerned with natural history and conservation. The National Parks and American Forestry Associations are two of his chief interests.

Curt is an avid baseball fan, and has followed the fortunes of the Boston teams for many years. He contemplated an all-Boston world series this season. Now that the Cleveland Indians have made the grade in the American League and gone on to become World Champions, he's delighted that Brother Lou Boudreau sparked his team to such a magnificent victory.

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#### SMYTHE BECOMING NATIONALLY KNOWN POET

Daniel W. Smythe, Union '50 is rapidly gaining national recognition as a mature American poet.

His works have been published in such periodicals as the *Saturday Review of*

*Literature*, *New Republic*, *Harper's*, *Yale Review*, *American Mercury*, and the *New York Times*. Anthologies edited by Thomas Moulton and Louis Untermeyer also contain some of his work.

Brother Smythe is a native of New England and his own first book of poems, *Steep Acres*, published in 1942, was a tribute to the beauties of the New England countryside.

His second book, *Only More Sure*, appeared in 1946. The scraps of paper on which he had written in shorthand the poems contained in this book while serving as an infantryman with Patton's Third Army in France and Germany were on display in the Library of Congress.

He studied under Robert Frost at Harvard, and is now at work on a biography of the New England poet.

In 1940 Brother Smythe received the annual poetry award of the Poetry Society of America. Last spring he accepted an offer to teach a new course in poetry writing at the Schenectady Museum.

Brother Smythe enrolled in a liberal arts course at Union College last year, transferring from Tufts College. Upon graduation he plans to teach American literature.

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#### RALPH HELM RETIRES

The Iowa State Board of Agriculture announced the retirement of Ralph L. Helm, Iowa '12 as Calhoun County agricultural agent effective July 1, 1948, after a service of 17 years.

Brother Helm attended high school in North Des Moines and graduated from the University of Iowa. He was born in Sibley, Illinois, however, where his father was superintendent of schools, and spent his early childhood in Michigan when the family moved to Three Rivers.

Brother Helm has been a member of the Michigan State College extension service for 25 years.



DANIEL SMYTHE

## Neely Elected to Senate



MATTHEW MANSFIELD NEELY

Brother Neely, Delta (West Virginia) '01, who was elected U. S. Senator from West Virginia in the November elections, was first elected to the Senate in 1922. He served three consecutive terms. From 1940-1944 he was Governor of Virginia.

# Tri-Chapter Carnation Ball

Each year, in the spring, Eta, Lambda and Epsilon Triton Chapters jointly present the now traditional Carnation Ball. Each year it is the practice to have one of the chapters sponsor the dance, rotating with the progression of the years.

The 1948 Carnation Ball was under the sponsorship of Epsilon Triton Chapter. Brother Bill Aikin was chairman, ably assisted by Brothers George Latham, Roy Mullen, and Jim Strong of Epsilon Triton, Brother Robert McCoskey, Lambda, and Brother Melvin Ruffner, Eta. It was held May 1, in the Continental Room of the Wardman Park Hotel in Washington with music by Jack Morton's orchestra.

The inauguration of what is hoped will become a tradition of the dance was the choosing of a Carnation Queen from the queens present, one from each chapter. In years past, all three queens had reigned. This year the crown belonged to a single girl. Eta chose Miss Elizabeth Simpson for its queen; Miss Marcia Roessing was selected to represent Lambda Chapter, and Miss Reta Carothers, the 1948 Moonlight Girl for Epsilon Triton, was the candidate for queen from that chapter.

Judging the queenly qualities of the girls were Mrs. Hale Boggs, wife of the Hon. Hale Boggs, Congressman from Louisiana; Miss Nancy Osgood of radio



PRESENTATION OF THE QUEEN AND HER COURT

Left to right: Beverly Farrington; Mrs. Hale Boggs; Nancy Osgood; Congressman Boggs; the queen, Elizabeth Simpson; Bob Haines, Eta; Marcia Roessing; Stan Williams, Lambda; Reta Carothers; Bob Malone, Epsilon Triton.



#### QUEEN CANDIDATES

Left to right: Elizabeth Simpson, Reta Carothers, and Marcia Roessing.

station WRC; and Miss Beverly Farrington, daughter of the Hon. Joseph R. Farrington, Congressional Delegate from Hawaii.

The queen candidates were escorted before the judges by the presidents of each chapter and to the strains of the Phi Sig "Sweetheart Song" sung by Brother Mike Moore. Miss Simpson was adjudged the winner and was crowned by Mr. Boggs. Following the crowning a receiving line was formed to meet the queen and her court and the judges. Lambda takes over next year and it is hoped their efforts will outshine those of Epsilon Triton.

#### AN ABLE SEAMAN

Philip H. Luther, Washington '33, was the winner in class 3 of the International Cruiser Race held July 16-17. He piloted his 36-foot Chris Craft, the *Mary Jane*, named for his two-year-old daughter, across the finish line at Vancouver, B. C. with an error of only 2.0403 per cent.

The race is a predicted log affair involving a knowledge of tides, currents, weather, and the boat's speed. The skipper who comes closest to his pre-calculated estimate of the time it will

take him to complete the course is judged the winner. The race this year was from Tacoma to Vancouver, B. C. with the time of finish 11:00 A.M., July 17 and involved a distance of 150 miles.

Brother Luther made his first trip to sea 20 years ago. During the war he sailed as master of American Mail Line vessels and was in command of the troop carrier *Carl Schurz*. He was awarded the Merchant Marine Medal after the *Schurz* rescued crew members in northern waters.

He has just recently turned his attention to politics and is on the Republican ticket for 44th district state representative.

**Wilbur E. Henry, Jr.**, Nu (Lehigh) '44 writes that he has accepted the position of assistant director of public relations with the American Merchant Marine Institute in New York.

His duties cover a wide field of activity ranging from publicity to labor relations on the topics of interest to some 60 privately-owned steamship and allied firms as members of the Institute, and include editing the weekly publication of the Institute. He enjoys his new work immensely, feeling that it is somewhat of a challenge. In October he wound up a hectic week covering the national convention of the Propeller Club in New York with its some twenty-four panel discussion groups and general sessions on marine topics.

Brother Henry is also treasurer of the New York chapter of the Steamship Society of America, and is in charge of public relations for the national organization. In the meantime, he continues his writing in the field of transportation research for various marine publications in the United States, as well as for *Fairplay* in London, England.

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# Dr. Parran Appointed Dean of New Graduate School

With the news released September 22, 1948 of the gift of \$13,600,000 of the A. W. Mellon Educational and Charitable Trust to the University of Pittsburgh for the establishment of a Graduate School of Public Health came the announcement that Dr. Thomas Parran, St. John's '11 was selected by the university to head the new school.

This Graduate School will emphasize occupational and industrial health and hygiene along with basic research in all phases of public health. It will be post-graduate to the medical school which itself is a graduate school. No site has yet been selected, but it is hoped that the school will be ready to function in the fall of 1949. However, if the best faculty is not obtained in time the opening will be delayed for another year. The school is expected to attract top experts from all fields of medicine.

Dr. Parran's career is one of the most distinguished in contemporary medicine; his fame is world-wide. He rejected 35 offers for his services in order to accept the appointment as Dean of Pittsburgh's Graduate School of Public Health.

He arrived in Pittsburgh after attending the American Hospital Association's 50th annual convention in Atlantic City, where he described a study of conditions he made last spring in the Far Eastern countries. Early in 1948 Dr. Parran retired as Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service to act as chief of a mission to the Far East for the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund. Following that, he was made chairman of the U. S. delegation to the First World Health Assembly in Geneva in June-July 1948.

Between 1917 and 1926, Dr. Parran, commissioned as an officer in the serv-

ice, served in 14 different states. In 1926 he was appointed Assistant Surgeon General in charge of venereal disease control by the late Andrew W. Mellon, who was then Secretary of the Treasury. He left the federal service to act as Commissioner of Health for New York State from 1930 to 1936 when he was appointed Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service.

Dr. Parran is a native of Maryland and descendant of a pre-Revolutionary War American family. He graduated from St. John's College, Annapolis and went on to the College of Medicine of Georgetown University from which he graduated in 1915 with honors. After internship at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Washington, D. C. he began his first service in the U. S. Public Health Service.

He is 56 years old, married, and has four sons.

Dr. Parran holds honorary degrees, including LL.D., Sc. D., D.P.H., and Pharma. D., from 16 universities. For his public service he has received 14 national awards and medals, among them a special Lasker Award of \$2,500 for "outstanding contributions to the national health," and the Distinguished Service Medal, presented to him in 1948.

He is a member of more than 30 professional societies and scientific organizations. He has served in connection with more than 20 international organizations.

Dr. Parran has written many articles on preventive medicine and public health, medical care, public health organization, nutrition, milk sanitation, maternal and infant mortality, and tuberculosis and venereal disease control; he is the author of the book, *Shadow on the Land* and co-author of *Plain Words about Venereal Disease*.



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## A Book Review



By

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War has, unfortunately, been almost a universal experience for men in every age and the "martial" lyric in its various forms has been a recognized literary type in western civilization from Callinus to the present. Some of these poems, and among them some truly great ones, have been written by authors who were sensitive enough to feel at second hand the experiences and reactions of the soldier or to absorb the psychology of war in its various aspects without personal participation. Others have been produced by men who have actually felt the impact of combat conditions. The latter are more significant in their revelation of the human soul in crisis. To this latter category belongs the little book of verse *Only More Sure* by Brother Smythe.

It is a slender volume consisting of fifty-four titles presented in four sections each dealing with a different period in the poet's career as a soldier on the western front — the crossing on board a transport, the interim in France, combat in

Germany, and the coming of peace.

The author has employed a wide range of poetic expression. Some of the poems are of the conventional type, relying on rhyme and metrical structure for their effect. (There are five sonnets among them.) Others utilize more modern poetic features. There is the initial repetition of word or phrase which the classical student of yester-year might have been taught to call anaphora. There is the appearance of "gritty names" analogous to, yet different from, such use as a Homer or a Macauley might make of proper names for his poetical purposes.

Yet even the most conventional of Brother Smythe's verses contain little of the epigrammatic that would lend itself to easy quotation. Throughout, he shows little interest in that particular type of verbal felicity. A direct simplicity conveying thought and emotional response seems his more characteristic mood. His metaphors are effective, sometimes startling, and reveal him as a careful observer. His observations of nature have the stamp of authenticity.

*Only More Sure*. By Daniel Smythe. Boston: The Murray Press. \$1.50.

There are times when the author escapes being prosy only by virtue of the fact that his utterance has avoided the diffuseness of prose idiom — he has been able to distill and condense an impression or a thought to the point where only the facts at issue are conveyed. This produces a starkness that brings war and man's inhumanity to man into high relief.

We must not, however, assume that throughout the book the poet is trying to prove how hideous war really is; and it is perhaps for this very reason that he does it so effectively. He speaks of war only when his sensitive nature has been aroused by some fact of the war and its horrors. He does not force it into the picture when it does not naturally belong there. The verses describing the ship's crossing of the Atlantic, for instance, might have been the reflections of a sensitive tourist if, indeed, there are any such. And even in the midst of the horrors of war, it is frequently some simple fact of nature that draws his most loving attention — "the last sheep," "the hawk," "the first violet." It is really his appreciation of the facts of peace and his careful reporting of the scenes and incidents of war that make his picture of war so horrible.

There is something heartening in these utterances of a young soldier who seems to have been able to enter the conflict as a normal human being and to return from it without evidence of psychic lesions, who could hate war and everything connected with it but who could go through with it as a chore that had to be done, and who could finally reaffirm his faith by selecting as the title of his collection the confident phrase from Robert Frost.

**John L. Blecker**, St. John's '03 travels constantly, organizing fund-raising campaigns. For the last four years he has spent little time in the United States, his work having taken him into Canada, from Nova Scotia to British Columbia.

## McCARTHY RETIRES AS POSTMASTER

William H. McCarthy, an honorary member of Phi Sigma Kappa chapter at Stanford, retired as San Francisco's Postmaster at the end of July this year, at the age of 70. He had held the \$15,000-job for 15 years, having been nominated for the post by President Roosevelt in 1933.

Brother McCarthy's colorful career began early in life. At 20 years of age he took over the United Workmen's Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company. Not long after that he entered politics, holding positions of Democratic county committee secretary, fire commissioner, and then supervisor. Prior to taking on the duties of Postmaster in San Francisco he acted as vice-chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee.

Paralleling his political activity was his interest in sports. In 1904 he was the second baseman of the Mission Maroons, and he became president of the Pacific Coast League in 1919; a few years later he also took over the presidency of the Mission Bears.

Brother McCarthy is a 100,000-mile flyer, a former director of the Market Street Railway, and he holds the Medal for Merit for his war work during the second World War. He sold out his shoe company in 1924, paying off his investors \$1 on the dollar, plus 25 per cent. In 1926 he married a San Francisco school teacher, Miss Retta Haynes.

**Earl B. Brookbank**, Washington '33 is employed by the Mead Corporation, paper manufacturer as Director of the New Products Division in Chillicothe, Ohio. Following his graduation from the University of Washington Brother Brookbank attended Lawrence College where he completed four years of graduate work at the Institute of Paper Chemistry, earning the degrees of M.S. and Ph.D.

# In Tito's Tinderbox

## A Book Review

By



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Brothers, I have reviewed several good books for you in the course of the past year or two. This time I want to tell you about a bad book, *The Silent People Speak*\*. Its author, Robert St. John, is a strange character, bright-eyed and bearded. He lost his job as a commentator for one of the big broadcasting chains not long ago, presumably because he seemed too liberal. He must be disloyal to his class, the Fourth Estate; during the recent war he referred to newspapermen as "leeches trying to suck headlines out of all this death and suffering." Yet he is at his best in straight reporting, recording how people look and act and talk, and his style goes sour only when he tries to soar into philosophical fine writing.

He cannot be utterly un-American, for he was born in Oak Park, Illinois, Hemingway's home town, and he served a hitch in the Navy before he was honestly old enough to enlist. Just before the United States entered the second World War, he produced a distinguished book

of sociological journalism about the Balkans, *From the Land of Silent People* (1942). It made a hit. It was acclaimed as "most distinguished first-line reporting," actual record without any attempt at interpretation. The only important adverse criticism was of the "absence of conviction." So up to that time Robert St. John was a regular fellow, what some of us in Brooklyn call a "right guy."

Do you judge a man by his enemies? If so, you ought to know that Robert St. John has been shot twice by enemies of the American way of life. Long ago his leg stopped a slug fired by one of Al Capone's gangsters; more recently, his left leg got a bullet from a Nazi machine gun.

But if you judge a man by the company he keeps, you may be horrified by the fact that Mr. St. John, like Mark Twain, has associated with "powerful uneducated people." This new book, *The Silent People Speak*, consists mainly of the quoted talk of scores of farmhands, small-town politicians, and working women whom he interviewed on reporting expeditions in various parts of Yugoslavia in 1947.

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\* *The Silent People Speak*. By Robert St. John. Garden City, N. Y., Doubleday & Company, 1948. Pp. 397 . . . Price \$4.00.

He did not get the praise for this book that he got for his similar volume six years ago. One big reason is that he doesn't damn the Communists heartily enough to suit most of us. In fact he avoids even the mention of Communism. But the traveling reporter does not hesitate to mention that most of the surviving adults in the various states of the new Yugoslavia think that their country is making progress under the present government. He also makes clear that the majority of survivors were Partisans, followers of Tito. He is like the man who disapproved of Franco too soon. He should have waited until the world heard of an apparent rift between Stalin and Tito.

Perhaps Mr. St. John does go too far when he implies that a Slovenian town meeting is democratic like a New England town meeting. Nevertheless, to a man who thinks it important to know what his opponent in a chess game ate for dinner, *The Silent People Speak* seems worth some hours of reading time. It is one of the few extensive and generally authentic, if imperfectly proportioned, pieces of recent American reporting about conditions just inside the Iron Curtain.

It doesn't go deep into Red territory. Indeed it gives the impression that many of the peasants in Yugoslavia accept their new government cheerfully because they think it resembles that of Canada or the United States. The book also makes clear, despite occasional idealistic remarks about peace and brotherhood, that the Balkan States are still the European hot-box of fears and hatreds.

That is what makes this book significant, whether we like it or not. Robert St. John may be ideologically unreliable, but at least he describes real people of Yugoslavia and records some of their recent talk, and Yugoslavia is important. It is a tiny country, to be sure. Belgrade, the capital, is bigger than Davenport,

Iowa, but smaller than the Tri-Cities combined. Sarajevo, capital of the state of Serbia, is about the size of Galesburg, Illinois. But we all know that Sarajevo is where the first World War started.

For a thousand years and more, wars have begun in the Balkans and spread destructively thence in all directions. There is a ghastly likelihood that somewhere in Yugoslavia is the detonation unit to set off the holocaust of World War III. Perhaps Robert St. John has got something more than a rhetorical spasm in his closing paragraph about "man who can split the atom and make a piece of steel fly through the air faster than the speed of sound but can't figure out how to get along with his fellow man."

There are not many jokes in this book; you will find the best one on page 351. There are not many anecdotes of young love like the one on page 325 where the listening reporter observes a flirtation of the earnest Slavic type:

"I understood a great deal of what they were saying to each other in excited little whispers. They got along beautifully together. They were obviously *sympaticna* to each other. . . . Once they looked out at the moonlit landscape and the girl said "krasan," which means "lovely." I thought this might be the start of something different. But it wasn't. They looked away from the moonlight and back into each other's eyes. And talked statistics."

Of the many gruesome eyewitness stories none is worse than the one the young man in hip boots and leather jacket told about the Partisan hospital on the mountain called Zelan Gora. It ended in this way:

"When I arrived there were two thousand dead bodies. The Germans had killed every one of those wounded men. Even men who had lost arms and legs in battle.

"It's a good thing they didn't win the war!"

The volume is thick — about 400 pages.

And life is short. So don't read this book. But do skim through it if you get a good chance.

## Minnesota Students Paddle Canoes 900 Miles

Four students of the University of Minnesota, fond of "roughing it," decided on an adventure trip into the wilderness of northeastern Ontario for their vacation, and were rewarded with a practical lesson in history, as well as beards an inch and a half in length.

The four, Phi Sigs Claire Gudim, Beta Deuteron '50 and James O'Ryan, Beta Deuteron '48, and Charles Tenney and Paul Shannon left International Falls on August 1 with seven packs weighing 35 pounds each in two canoes, one canvas and one aluminum. They had carefully charted their 900-mile trip to Ft. Albany on James Bay to include four stops for supplies at the Hudson Bay Company outposts at Root Portage, Ostenaburg, Ft. Hope, and Ogoki House.

These points, established in 1690, and a few small missions scattered along the route were their only contacts with civilization. They used an outboard motor as far as Sioux Lookout, but from there on, a distance of 650 miles, they had to do their canoeing the hard way. It was really hard paddling, too, for there were more than 200 miles of rapids to cover. The maps they used to guide them (Canadian topographical and some maps taken from an aerial survey) were vague and were not always accurate. In one instance, they said, the map showed a low lake with a dam at the end. Since the map had been printed the dam-made lake had risen nearly 12 feet, completely changing its outline.

The men shared the camp chores of cooking, washing, and pitching tents.

Dehydrated foods almost entirely made up their diet. Occasionally the menu was enlivened with some rainbow or brook trout, and once Brother O'Ryan



CLAIRE GUDIM AND CHARLES TENNEY

baked a blueberry pie with some berries which they had picked at Lac Seul. At Ft. George snow was falling, and from then on doing laundry in the water was out of the question.

They arrived at Ft. Albany on September 12, thus completing their voyage in six weeks. By using the conventional modes of travel (plane and train) they were able to return to Minneapolis in ample time for the opening of school on September 27.

## *Mu Deuteron Passes In Review*



THE nucleus of our present chapter was the "Inter Nos" club founded by a group of 10 men from a Montana State university prep school in Missoula, January 1906. The first meetings were mostly mutual consolation or retaliation sessions between battles with the freshmen of the university. A barn belonging



TOM DAVIS

to the father of one of the members was the clubhouse for the organization.

Our house at 1011 Gerald has a colorful fraternal background. It once had the picturesque name "The House of Jerico," and was occupied by a group of MSU athletes who split into three groups; one petitioned Sigma Nu, the other petitioned Sigma Chi, and the other formed the "Inter Nos" club.

The "Inter Nos" club became the Iota Nu, local chapter, in January 1906. Fred

Theime, Montana '13, one of the founders, recalls that the club was able to rent the upper floor of a house by 1907, which they christened the "Good Ship Mary Ann." For officers: DeWitt Warren, Miles City, Montana, was the first "Admiral"; Charles McGowan, now deceased, was the first "Purser." A now unknown member held the office of Captain.

Sigma Nu and Sigma Chi were the only nationals on the MSU campus at the time. Brother Theime recalls the tactics used by the leaders of Iota Nu to control the campus by keeping a "balance of power." Ruses by the Sigma Nus and Sig Chis failed to dissolve or deplete the forces of this third club, and the local held power for several years.

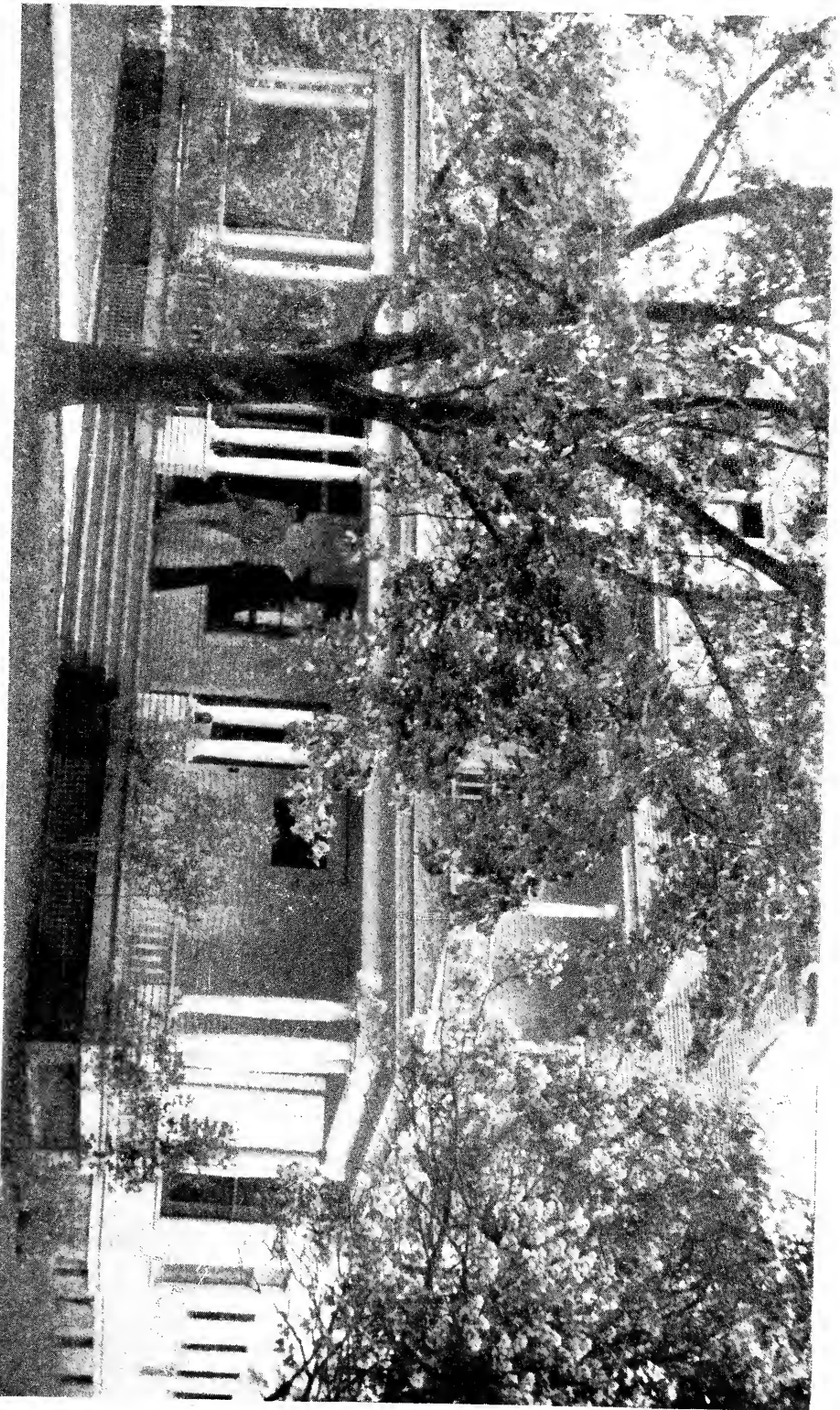
By 1908 Iota Nu had become a full-fledged fraternity, complete with house, official ceremonies, a cook, and a complete roster of pledges and actives, which was constantly growing.

The first World War saw the rapid development of Iota Nu retarded for the duration of the participation of the U. S., while almost the whole fraternity entered the armed forces. The end of the world conflict saw the return of most of the members and rapid, new growth which warranted plans for a new house, and affiliation with a national.

The fame of the Iota Nu local had spread even to the East, New York. It was reputed to be the most powerful local in any university in the country at that period. Richard F. Crandall and Gordon McGuire, both of White Plains, New York, hiked 3000 miles from their home to Missoula, to find out if this were true. Needless to say, they joined the local after registering at the university.

The house on "fraternity row," Gerald avenue, was purchased in 1919, and induction into Phi Sigma Kappa, as the chapter Mu Deuteron, took place four

MU DEUTERON CHAPTER HOUSE





years later, April 26, 1923. Thus, the 25th anniversary of Mu Deuteron into Phi Sigma Kappa national was celebrated this April.

Five of the original founders of the small "Inter Nos" club were still at MSU,



A. B. GUTHRIE, JR.

and were initiated into Mu Deuteron: Fred Theime, DeWitte Warren, Charles McGowan, Stephen Reardon, and John B. Taylor.

Among those from Mu Deuteron who have rendered society, the fraternity, and their duties remarkable service are: Prof. Robert L. Housman, former executive head of the MSU journalism school; Prof. Thomas Spaulding, former Dean of the Montana State University forestry school; Tom Davis, Butte lawyer and past President of Rotary International; and A. B. Guthrie, author of that recent best seller, *The Big Sky*.

In the athletic field, such notables as "Chris" Bentz, "Wild Bill" Kelly, Russell Sweet, Eddie Chinske (now coach at MSU), "Socko" Szacash, Bill Matasovic, and "Tiger" Joe Mariana were prominent on the local and national sports pages between the two world wars. The lists of honoraries at MSU were studded

with Phi Sig names during this period and we reached the top many times, scholastically.

The house, left vacant by its departed warriors at the beginning of World War II, was occupied by conscientious objectors (working for the U. S. Forest Service), Army aviation cadets, and co-eds, in that order. The first Phi Sig casualty of the last war was Ensign Stephen Stockdale, Montana '37, who was killed in action at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, December 7, 1941.

This 25th anniversary reveals a period of rapid growth by Mu Deuteron to the former place of prominence it held on

### *First Phi Sig Casualty*



*Ensign Stephens Stockdale, Mu Deuteron '37  
Killed in action at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii,  
December 7, 1941*

the campus. The return of former members and the induction of the cream of the pledges at the State university bodes good for the future of our chapter. The recent top scholastic standing among all the fraternities on the campus for fall quarter '47 and for spring quarter of '48, is just a forecast of the order of things at MSU.



# *Mu Deuteron's Copper, Gold And Silver Warriors*



LOOK at any of the athletic records of Montana state university will prove the fine caliber of Mu Deuteron athletes of the past.

Chris Bentz, "Wild Bill" Kelly, "Big Russ" Sweet, Waldo Ekegren, Emil Perey, "Jelly" Elliot, Steve Sullivan, Eddie Chinske, Deane Jones, and "Dutch" Dahmer are all names which are bound to stir the memories of any past students at the state university. These men from Mu Deuteron are a large part of the tradition and history of the university at Missoula.

Old Iota Nu, local predecessor of Mu Deuteron Chapter, in its short life could brag of members with 91 football letters and 7 captains in that sport; 22 basketball letters among its members, and 5 captains in it; track gave 14 letters to Iota Nu members, and two captainships, while baseball saw 8 Iota Nu lettermen, with one team captain. The local set some sort of a record when it had the captains for all the major sports on its rolls during the year of 1915-16.

To start at the beginning, we must mention Chris Bentz, of old Iota Nu. Here was a huge, strong, and agile man, who excelled at a time when an athlete couldn't be anything but "all man." "Big Chris" was outstanding in the young sports of basketball, football, track and the infant, college wrestling. In fact, Chris was the first man at Montana University to receive a letter in wrestling.

Chris also showed up on an All-Service team in 1919, when the cream of the country's football players were in service teams, and set a Pacific Coast Conference record in the discus of 140.6 feet a few

years before when he was still attending the university.

His team, while in service was the Aberdeen Army camp team, which whipped a powerful University of South Dakota team, 11-0.

"Big Chris" set up a law office in South Dakota following the first World War.

"Wild Bill" Kelly had the distinction of being both baseball and football captain. "Russ" Sweet and Emil Perey were track captains. "Jelley" Elliot, Eddie Chinske, "Big Lou" Vierhus, and Waldo Ekegran were all football captains. "Wild Horse" Rafferty and "Home Run" Jimmy Murphy were captains of the baseball teams.

"Wild Bill" Kelly entered the state university in '23 and joined Mu Deuteron that same year. He was an outstanding star on the Cub football team and made the varsity in '24, '25, and '26. In that time he had amassed 31 touchdowns and 193 points from the quarterback spot. He also had time to collect six letters in other major sports. The fellow from Missoula, along with "Russ" Sweet, his pass-receiving mate on the football team, were even screen-tested for the moving pictures and received some publicity through the Pathe News cameraman.

Bobby Matthews, Idaho football coach in '25, tried his best to coax Kelly to leave Montana and play for him at Idaho, promising to make a great star of him. Bill laughed him off. In the Idaho-Montana game that fall, Idaho scored twice in the first half and was out front 14-0. At the half, Matty chided Bill for his choice of alma maters. Bill retorted with the remark that he never warmed up until the second half. In the third period, "Wild Bill" saw an Idaho boy down on a

knee, lacing his shoe. Running in front of the Idaho bench, Kelly shouted to Matthews, "Matty, one of your boys has broken his ankle. Are you going to sit there and let him suffer?" Matthews tore onto the field. Kelly went to the referee — "Idaho's coach is on the field without permission," he said, "we'll take the fifteen yard penalty." He got it, and with a bit of play, went on to a touch-down. Kelly scored two more touch-downs before the gun and beat Idaho by one of them.

"Wild Bill" and "Russ" Sweet were both in the East-West collegiate football classic in '26. The passing combination, Kelly to Sweet scored the only touchdown the West made, to win the ball game 7-3.

Bill amassed All-American honors in '26, Pacific Coast honors for all of his three years of collegiate football, and All-Western honors for three years.

"Wild Bill" not only played football, basketball, baseball, and track, but at the time of the Gibbons-Dempsey fight, he fought four, fast exhibition rounds with Tommy Gibbons, in Missoula.

Bill played with the New York Yankees and Brooklyn Dodgers pro-football teams. It was while he was attending the Fordham-N.Y.U. football game, at the time he was training with the Dodgers, that he was stricken with a heart attack, caused, it was thought, by the large quantity of peanuts, hot dogs and soda pop he had consumed. Many people who knew him well, thought that he died of a broken heart, because of his recent inability to gain an appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point. It had been one of his ambitions to attend West Point.

Then there was the diminutive, 165-pound, Waldo Ekegren from Mu Deuteron, who scored two touchdowns against a powerful University of California team. Waldo's inspired line backing and aggressive opportunism held the vaunted Washington Huskies of '29 to

a tie score of 6-6. Waldo graduated in the class of '30.

"Russ" Sweet, Montana '30, was termed "the fastest human," by many sports writers, of his peak days on the tracks. His 9.7 100-yard dash, and 21.4 220-yard run records stood for quite awhile after he set them. "Russ" ran a 9.4 100-yard dash a few years after he left school, but it was not placed in the record books because the flash from Montana University had had a wind behind him while he was running it.

In the university, he had been running mate for "Wild Bill" Kelly on the football team, and captain of the track team.

As head of the San Francisco Olympic club, he had been a member of a 400-yard relay team which thoroughly trounced a British challenge track team. His feud with Borah, a USC man, in the 100-yard dash run, with all its attendant publicity finally ended in the decisive victory of "Big Russ."

On March 11, 1944, "Big Russ" was watching a basketball game as an overtime period was being played off. He suddenly gasped, slumped, and was dead.

Those alumni who are comparative "youngsters" can probably remember the quarterbacking of diminutive, 150-pound Eddie Chinske, Montana '29, who held a captaincy in football, and letters in baseball and basketball. He replaced another Phi Sig, "Big Lou" Viehrus, Montana '28, in his captaincy.

Ed also was runner-up in the golf tournament at the university in '27. The passing combination of Chinske to Clarence Coyle, Montana, game trouble to opposing teams, mighty and small, in '27. Ed received the Stewart trophy for the best athletic performance at the university in 1927, and to prove that his ability didn't run just in athletic channels, he was elected senior delegate to central board, in school politics.

Probably Eddie's best performance was in the game between the university and

the Golden Bears of California University in '27. The Golden Bears won 33-13, but were unable to breathe easily until the final gun, mostly because of the field generalship, passing, punting and running of one Edward Chinske.

Brother Chinske is now coaching the Cub teams at his alma mater, and doing a fine job at it.

We can't overlook the athletic ability of Deane Jones, Montana '30, night editor of the Daily Missoulian, in the ring. Deane held the bantamweight and featherweight titles at the university and won

the state bantamweight title in a fight which is classic. It seems Deane's jaw was broken in the first round of this title fight, and Deane went on to capture the next three rounds and win the title, with his jaw broken.

These are just a few of the warriors who have carried the copper, silver and gold, and the crest of Phi Sigma Kappa, Mu Deuteron on the playing fields. We know the future will add to that list, and the shades of the departed brethren will be able to rest, contented, with the thoughts of achievements to come.

## *Anniversary Celebration*



SATURDAY night, April 24, 1948 saw more than 200 Phi Sigs and friends dining and dancing at the Loyola hall, Missoula. The occasion was the annual "Coffee Dan's" dinner dance and the order of the evening was fun and frivolity.

Johnny Winchell's Campus Trio soothed the rowdy ulcers, and the music of Gordon Welle's dance band helped apply a clincher to the musical taste of all present (no complaints were heard, anyway).

"Coffee Dan," or brother Jack Hensley, Plains, Montana, was M.C., capably ad libbing and keeping things lively. Miss Patti Luer, "Miss Montana of 1948," entertained with some throaty warbling of the classics, after which Brother Dick Merritt played the piano, along classical lines, also. Brother Harold Scott sang "On the Road to Mandalay." Spanish songs (complete with Spanish words) were sung by Brother Jim Cisco Derenelau to complete the entertainment on the stage for the evening. Even Tiger enjoyed himself.

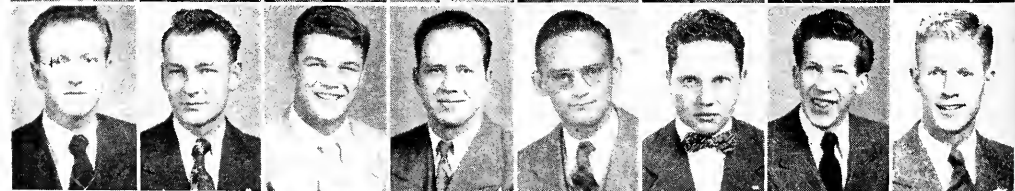
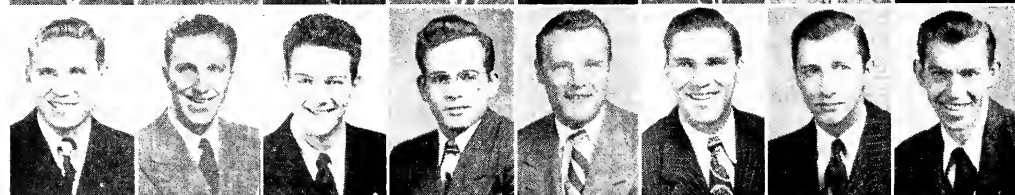
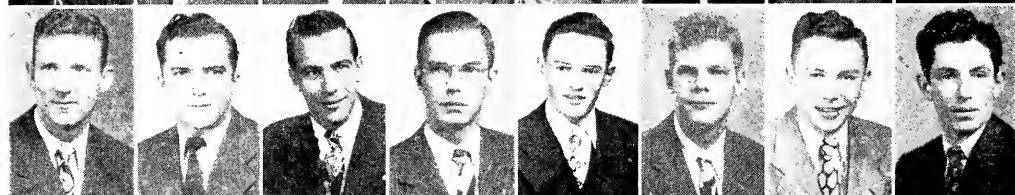
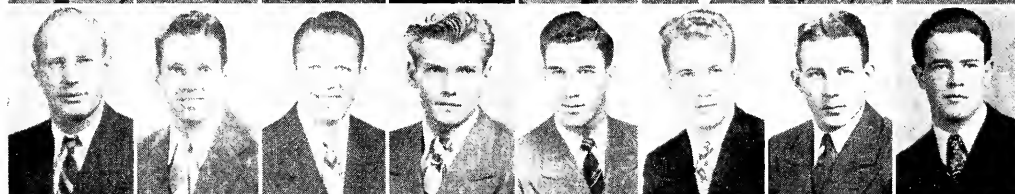
The tradition of "Coffee Dan's" was started in 1928, when several members of

Mu Deuteron spent an enjoyable evening in a small bistro in San Francisco. When they returned to Missoula, the novel idea of transplanting the smokey, candlelit atmosphere of the place (Coffee Dan's) to the campus returned with them. This proposal was heartily accepted by the members of Mu Deuteron. The annual dinner dance has since become Mu Deuteron's social highlight of the year.

On Sunday, April 25th, the brothers, perhaps a wee bit on the fuzzy side, awoke to face an anniversary dinner. The turnout spoke well for our constitutions. Bruce Bean, Director of Region VI addressed 42 pledges and actives and six guests at the dinner Sunday afternoon. Brother Tom Spaulding, our Chapter Adviser, introduced the speaker.

The guests were: Brother Bob Jones, Missoula alumnus; Dr. R. A. Curry, Minnesota alumnus; Brothers Donald Wanis, Paul Rhodes, and David Moore, Zeta Triton guests of the Bozeman chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa and Brother "Deke" Sanderson, then Chapter Adviser.

Following the dinner we all listened to Brother Bean's short talk on "The Value of Brotherhood." Dr. Curry, guest from Minnesota, then praised Mu Deuteron for its progress.



# Mu Deuteron Today



HIEF push, "Skip" Mitchell rose and said, "O. K., fellows, we're going to paint the house. Now, here's the plan . . ."

"Hah!" said Doubting

Danny, "Here's where that fraternity, good-fellowship mouthwash gets a good swift kick in the pants."

His scepticism was based on the proximity of exam week and the extreme individualism of man.

Danny's doubting received a severe shock the next Saturday, when twenty-odd members of Mu Deuteron turned out on their own time and applied a good beginning to a new coat of paint to the house at 1011 Gerald.

Doubting Danny has received many more shocks, since then, when he has tried to apply the "Ungolden Rule" to Mu Deuteron's activities within the past school year. The considerate attention

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Left to right: Barden, Patrick; Baun, Albert; Boe, John; Bohling, Richard; Busha, Dave; Chaffee, George; Chatlain, Phil; Clack, H. L.

Cocco, Frank; Dahl, Victor; Dereneleau, James; Donistorpne, O. L.; Dopp, Gilbert; Drennen, Bill; Dunning, John; Ellison, Stuart.

Engel, Link; Fisser, Herbert; Forsyth, George; Gagermeier, Louis; Gallagher, Francis; Gardner, Robert; Gierdal, Frederick; Grainger, Stanley.

Hallead, Kenneth; Hanto, Norman; Harwood, Robert; Helland, Franklin; Hensley, Jack; Hoerster, Don; Holmes, George; Houtz, Edward.

Johnson, Thomas; Kautzmann, Emil; King, Dave; Knoop, John; LaRue, Gordon; Leamer, Robert; Magelssen, William; Maitin, Joseph.

McDonald, David; Merritt, Dick; Miller, Dale; Miller, Russel; Mitchell, Skip; Murphy, Joe Dan; Ogle, Clayton; O'Neill, Len.

Peterson, Dale; Raff, James; Rapp, Albert; Rapp, William; Rasmussen, Glenn; Riley, Laurie; Ryan, Raymond; Scally, Frank.

Schroeder, Cleo; Shipley, Roy; Slight, Al; Solander, Albert; Stanton, Harold; Temple, Ray; Tucker, Charles; Van Delinder, George.

Van Luchene, Robert; Voorhees, Robert; Warren, DeWitt; Weir, Dennis; Winchell, John; Wolfe, Leo; Wuerl, Clayton.



Some of the brothers and dates at last year's Forester's Ball.

paid to ailing members, and the general comradeship and cooperation shown by the 47 actives and 26 pledges have welded a stronger and more confident gang of Phi Sigs.

We didn't do the best in sports, but we produced teams which were constantly a threat to the stronger teams, and learned some needed lessons by competing under the interfraternity system.

Our scholastic rating among the fraternities was tops for fall quarter of '47 and spring quarter of '48. Mu Deuteron placed third among the fraternities, scholastically, winter quarter '48.

Our social events included the rush week activities, dinners, and beer bust. The MCing of Brother Lennie O'Neill sparkled and added much to the festivities. The pledge formal, the annual fall quarter highlight, was attended by the brothers in the Florentine Gardens of the Hotel Florence, Missoula. The affect of the soft drinks (?), soft moonlight, and soft women was further heightened by the strains of soft music, supplied by Kenny Hanson's band. Several exchange dinners were mixed with some Friday-night firesides and one open house, winter quarter. Spring quarter saw two exchange dinners and the annual "Coffee Dan's" held over from its usual niche during winter quarter, to become part of the combined 75th anniversary of Phi Sigma Kappa national, and 25th anniversary of Mu Deuteron celebration. The success of the annual spring picnic at Flathead Lodge, Flathead Lake, was attested by the "thank yous" from many of the guests.



Another group of brethren at the annual Forester's Ball. Brother Skip Mitchell on the far left has his six-gun with him. He's out to "git me a gal or leave powder burns all over."

In university athletics, Frank "Butch" Gallagher and Frank "Bull" Scully shone at their respective halfback and tackle spots on the Cub football team. Pledge Arnie Scott, varsity halfback, despite a recurring chest injury acquired in the Cheney game during the 1947 season, saw action in several games this year. The triple-threat speedster from Plains, Montana, returned to his true form in the Colorado A and M game, in which he

broke away for many long gains.

Frank Coco, Hamden, Connecticut, proven ineligible, had only this obstacle keeping him from an outfielder's berth on the university varsity. His return this year should bring him that position next spring.

Gordon LaRue, Helena, Montana, has temporarily and ably filled the shoes of "House Mouse" Harold Stanton during the summer quarter. With ten members living at the house, and forty-plus (not all Phi Sigs) eating here, the bookkeeping and usual duties of the office of house manager present no small call on time and effort. "Gordie" has certainly met and conquered these problems in fine shape.

All in all things are "looking up" at the Phi Sig house, and we hope to continue to improve this school year, as we did the last one.

## DEATH OF TIGER

"I've never seen that collie around our house, before," said one Phi Sig.

"Her name's Kentucky. She lives down the street and I've never seen her in this yard the three years I've lived here," said another.

Kentucky, with a purposeful mien, altered her course, up the front walk, into the front porch, only stepping aside as the front door was opened for her. She followed a guide into the back room, where Tiger lay on his side, breathing heavily.

Usually a cool and aloof dog, Kentucky condescended to sniff at her old crony and emitted a few low whines. She then wheeled and headed straight out the door, coolly accepting a few hasty pats by the grouped men. She marched directly out the door and down the street to her home.

Kentucky had paid her last respects to Tiger, for, about 20 minutes later, 2 P.M. Sunday, May 1, a veterinarian ended the then agonized existence of the veteran BDOC (Big Dog on Campus). He had nine years of schooling at MSU.



And here's Paul Bunyan himself. Paul was part of the motif over the doorway of the gym where the Forester's Ball was held.



# Chapter Hymeneal

## McCARNEY-EHRHART

Miss Miriam McCarney, daughter of the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. G. E. McCarney, Conshohocken, Pennsylvania and the Rev. Richard Lewis Ehrhart, Gettysburg '46, son of the Rev. Dr and Mrs. Kenneth S. Ehrhart, Glenville were married in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Conshohocken, Saturday, September 4 at 2:30 P.M. The double ring ceremony was performed by the fathers of the couple.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, the Rev. Howard McCarney, had as her matron of honor, Mrs. Robert Herron and her bridesmaids were Miss Gene Knesley, Pittsburgh and Mrs. Howard McCarney, her sister-in-law. David Ehrhart, brother of the bridegroom, was ringbearer, while Kenneth Ehrhart, another brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Ushers were Carl and Sidney Ehrhart, brothers of the bridegroom, Robert Logan, and Carl Uhling.

The couple spent a week's wedding trip at Jackson, N. H., and are now residing at Lutherville, Maryland where Rev. Ehrhart has accepted the pastorate of a Lutheran church.

## HENSKE-RHODES

Paul Rhodes, Montana State '50 and Miss LaVergne Henske of Chicago exchanged marriage vows in a quiet ceremony held in the home of the bridegroom's brother, C. Wesley Rhodes, in Billings, Montana September 15, 1948. The former Miss Henske is the sister of Brother Joe Henske, Montana State.

The bride wore a gray suit with black accessories and a corsage of wine carnations.

Brother and Mrs. Rhodes are making their home in Bozeman where Paul is

continuing in school and maintaining an active interest in Phi Sigma Kappa.

## GRIFFITH-BURGESS

In a beautiful church service held on Sunday, August 29, 1948 at 2:30 in the afternoon, Roy Burgess, West Virginia



- MR. AND MRS. ROY BURGESS

'49 and Miss Helen Ann Griffith were united in marriage in the Methodist Church at Sistersville, West Virginia. Following the wedding there was a reception in the church basement.

Mrs. Burgess attended West Virginia University and received a bachelor of science degree in home economics. An alumna of Theta Chapter of Chi Omega, she was elected Delta's Phi Sig Girl for 1948.

## KEARNEY-WOLFE

Leo J. Wolfe, Montana '50 of Montevideo, Minnesota wed Miss Nola Kearney, St. Paul, Minnesota on Tuesday evening, June 15 at Miss Kearney's



home, 2153 Lincoln Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Brother Wolfe, who has just finished two terms as president of Mu Deuteron, plans to return to school to obtain his degree in forestry.

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### BROWN-ELDER

John Stanton Elder, West Virginia '49 and Miss Onile Virginia Brown were united in marriage in a beautiful candle-



MR. AND MRS. JOHN S. ELDER

light ceremony at 8:30 in the evening August 28, 1948 in the Central Christian Church in Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Brother "Luke" Stanley was best man and Miss Patricia Heitz, fiancée of Brother Stanley, was maid of honor. Brothers George Dusch and Kenny Yost served as ushers.

The guests were entertained at a reception in the Crystal Room of the Stonewall Jackson Hotel following the wedding.

### WOLFE-PORSON

Allan B. Porson, MIT '45 was married to Miss Joan Wolfe at Hastings on Hudson, New York on October 2, 1948. The best man at the wedding was Ted Lapier and the ushers were Fred Howell and John Rudolph, all of Omicron Chapter, class of 1947.

The couple will make their home near New York City where Brother Porson is connected with the British-American Tube Division of Phelps Dodge Copper Products.

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### COOK-GREENHALGH

On June 26, 1948 Edgar H. Greenhalgh, R. I. State '48, married Miss Doris Cook. "Bud" graduated last June and is now working as a mechanical engineer for Brown and Sharpe Company in Providence.

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### LALIEU-LANDIS

Miss Patricia Ann Lalieu and Brother Jack Landis were joined in holy matrimony at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Clarksburg, West Virginia on Saturday, August 28, 1948 at 4:30 in the afternoon. Brothers Jack Newlon and Roland Reed were ushers.

Mrs. Landis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lalieu of Clarksburg and Brother Landis is a member of Delta Chapter.

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### MARTIN-RAPP

Albert J. Rapp, Montana '49 of Burlingame, California was married to Miss Margaret Martin, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania in St. Anthony's Church, Missoula, Montana on June 7, 1948 at 10 o'clock in the morning. Mrs. Rapp served with the Waves during the last war, and is a member of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority.

The couple will live in Missoula while Brother Rapp finishes his schooling at the university.



**ADAMS-COULTRAP**

On September 11, 1948 at Akron, Ohio the former Pat Adams and Brother Keith Coultrap, Eta Triton '49, were united in marriage. The ceremony took place at the Immaculate Conception Church with Brother Jim Lhota acting as best man. Ushers were Darrell Bently, Pat O'Brien and Floyd Andrews.

**LILLEY-ALLEN**

Brother Bob Allen, Eta Triton '49, and the former Kay Lilley were united in marriage on August 15, 1948 at the North Hill Church of Christ, Akron, Ohio. Brother John Trecaso was best man and Bruce Jackson and Jim Lehmiel acted as ushers.

**HADDAD-KALIL**

Brother Ford Kalil, Eta Triton '50, and the former Renée Haddad were united in marriage at the Lady of Redemption Church in Detroit. The ceremony took place August 27, 1948. Edward Charlie acted as best man.

**OCEANRIDER-MILLER**

In a beautiful ceremony on June 13th, 1948 Brother Dick Miller, Eta Triton '50, and the former Nola Oceanrider were united in marriage. The ceremony took place at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Akron, Ohio. Brother Ted Boecker acted as best man and Brothers Dick Hansford and Bob Cross acted as ushers.

**CARTER-MORRIS**

Brother Don Morris, Eta Triton '50, and the former Lois Jean Carter were married on August 20, 1948 at the Main Street Methodist Church, Akron, Ohio. Brother Dick Jameson acted as best man.

**MERLE-JENKINS**

Brother Don Jenkins and the former Mary Merle were united in marriage at the Sacred Heart Church, Akron, Ohio.

The ceremony took place on August 19th, 1948. Arle Jenkins was best man and Brother Sam Salem acted as usher.

**KASSERMAN-BUTLER**

Robert Butler, West Virginia '49 was married to Miss Peggy Ann Kasserman at 2:30 Saturday afternoon, September 4, 1948. The ceremony took place at



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT BUTLER

the Warwood Lutheran Church at Wheeling, West Virginia.

Brother Jack Snapp was best man and Brother George Dusch served as ushers.

Following the wedding a reception was held in the Mirror Room of the McLure Hotel in Wheeling.

**DeVAUGHN-KENYON**

In a beautiful ceremony on the 27th day of June, 1948 Brother Dick Kenyon, Eta Triton '50, and the former Nancy DeVaughn were united in marriage. The ceremony took place at the Grace Lutheran Church in Akron, Ohio. Bill DeVaughn served as best man. Ushers were Don Seeley and Don Schultz.

**LOWTHER-ALLEN**

James L. Allen, West Virginia '48 and Miss Margaret Ann Lowther were united in holy wedlock on August 23, 1948 in the First Presbyterian Church of Clarks-

burg, before members of the immediate family.

Mrs. Allen is an alumna of West Virginia University and Pi Beta Phi. She was Delta's choice for Phi Sig Girl of 1947 and candidate for Phi Sig Moonlight Girl of 1948. She was also Homecoming Queen of 1947 at the university.

Brother Allen and his wife are now living in Baltimore, Maryland where he is a student in the medical school of the University of Maryland.

### WARNER-LAUTENSCHLAGER

Another June bride is lovely Audrey Warner, shown above with Brother Ed-



ED AND AUDREY LAUTENSCHLAGER

ward W. Lautenschlager, Pi (Franklin and Marshall) '50, cutting their wedding cake.

### TAIT-JONES

Miss Virginia Tait and Kent Jones, West Virginia '49 were married in a beautiful ceremony in the First Presbyterian Church of Morgantown, West

Virginia at 7 o'clock in the evening on August 3, 1948.

Mrs. Jones is an alumna of Alpha Xi Delta of West Virginia University.

### COLE-BOE

On Sunday, June 27 John Boe, Montana '50 "tied the knot" with Miss Ruth E. Cole at the bride's home in Big Timber, Montana.

Brother Boe, also of Big Timber, will return to the university to continue his studies.

### WHITFORD-COMSTOCK

Joseph B. Comstock, Jr., Southern California '41 and Ann Whitford were married in the Church of the Advent in Los Angeles on June 26, 1948. The best man was Joe's brother, David, now a senior in the active chapter at Southern California.

The bride is the daughter of Robert C. Whitford, C.C.N.Y. and Illinois. Joseph B. Comstock, Sr. is a member of Tau Chapter, class of 1915.

### NOBLE-THOMPSON

Dr. John C. Thompson, West Virginia '46 and Miss Mary Noble of Baltimore, Maryland were joined in holy matrimony at 3 p.m. in St. Michael's and All Angels' Protestant Church of Baltimore on June 6, 1948.

The Thompsons are now living in Clarksburg, West Virginia where Dr. Thompson is practicing dentistry.

### VAN DONK-STEENBOCK

Dr. Harry Steenbock, Wisconsin '08 and Miss Evelyn Van Donk of Pearl River, New York were married in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York City last March. Their honeymoon was spent in Florida and Cuba.

Dr. Steenbock is professor of biochemistry at the University of Wisconsin,

and the couple make their home in Madison, Wisconsin.

### WILLIAMSON-HOERSTER

The First Methodist Church, Missoula, Montana was the scene of the wedding of Don Hoerster, Montana '52 and Miss Tina M. Williamson on Saturday evening, June 12, 1948.

Brother and Mrs. Hoerster reside in Missoula.

### McCONNELL-MAIRS

Robert L. Mairs, West Virginia '50 and Miss Susan McConnell were united in marriage by the Rev. D. H. Matherly in the First Christian Church in Catlettsburg, Kentucky July 19, 1948, at 6 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. Mairs is a student at the University of West Virginia, and a member of Pi Beta Phi.

Brother and Mrs. Mairs are residing in Morgantown, West Virginia.

### LAFEAN RESIGNS

Raymond G. Lafean, Mu (Pennsylvania) '19, has resigned his position on the Court of Honor. His resignation results from the pressure of business. Based on his many years of experience as a national officer of Phi Sigma Kappa, Brother Lafean felt that he could not devote the time that he believes should be expected from one holding such an office.

### HELP, HELP!

The *Akron Beacon-Journal*, published by Brother John S. Knight, recently put on a campaign to raise funds to help Robert L. Butler, Akron '49 rebuild his home which was destroyed by fire.

The Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Akron has also established a fund for this purpose.

## Phi Sig Oregon State Stars



DON MAST  
quarterback



JIM CONROY  
left tackle



JIM ENGLISH  
left guard

# Babygrams

It's a girl for Brother and Mrs. Bill Keck, West Virginia '49. Their first child, Candace Paige Keck arrived Sunday, June 27, 1948, weighing in at 8 pounds 6 ounces.

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A card was received announcing the arrival of Robert Scott Helm on April 8, 1948, son of Robert and Molly Helm, Illinois '40.

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Lee Corey Bowen was born on May 13, 1948. She is the second child of Brother Joseph H. Bowen, Williams '39, and his wife.

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A son, the third child, was born to Brother and Mrs. Norval Rogers on August 19, 1948. The boy has been named Mark Allen, and weighed 8 pounds at birth. Brother Rogers, West Virginia '47 now lives in Williamsport, Pennsylvania where he is employed by the Aetna Life Insurance Company.

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Phyllis Frances Fleming was born to Brother John J. Fleming and his wife, Pennsylvania '42 on July 18, 1948. It has been reported that the father is doing fairly well.

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We slipped up on the announcement of the birth of Camille Mary Jones January 29, 1948. She is the first child born to Thomas C. Jones, Oregon State '26, and his wife, Cecille. Mrs. Jones is an Alpha Phi '34 (Oregon).

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The stork paid a double visit to the McIntyres' — "Konk" and Mary Anne are now proud parents of twin daughters. Catherine Anne weighed 4 pounds 3 ounces and twin-sister Mary Anne weighed 4 pounds 2 ounces. They arrived June 27, 1948. Pappa is an active

member of Delta Chapter.

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A son, their first, was born to Brother and Mrs. Robert Peatross, West Virginia '49 on September 3, 1948. The future Phi Sig is named Richard Frederick and he weighed 8 pounds 1 ounce at birth.

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Brother and Mrs. Henry W. Rawlings, Kentucky '51 announce the birth of their daughter, Sharon Gail on August 22, 1948. Sharon weighed 7 pounds 5½ ounces at birth.

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The new addition to the home of Brother and Mrs. Murhl Turley, West Virginia '49 is a boy, John Austin. The baby son was born May 16, 1948 at the Heiskell Memorial Hospital in Morgantown, West Virginia, and he weighed 8 pounds 1 ounce.

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A son, Steven Walker was born on January 5, 1948 to Brother and Mrs. Harold C. Todd, Jr., F&M '43.

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Three brothers of Zeta Triton boast new additions to their families. A son, Mike, was born to Brother and Mrs. Joe Murray. The newest arrival at the home of Brother and Thelma Lawrenson is future Phi Sig, Garry. A daughter was born to Brother and Mrs. Edwin Palmerlee May 20, 1948.

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It's twin boys for Brother and Mrs. Charles Sweeney, West Virginia '49. The boys have been named Michael Patrick and Stephen Joseph. Michael weighed 5 pounds 5 ounces and Stephen weighed 5 pounds 1 ounce. They were born July 27, 1948. Delta members can't think of any twins among the brothers, but Brother Sweeney has provided the answer.

# Chapter Invisible

Kappa Triton Chapter and Phi Sigs everywhere have been dealt a crushing blow at the news of the worst single tragedy in Phi Sigma Kappa history. The passing of four of our young brothers (all 22 years old) and a fellow student in an airplane crash on September 26, 1948 has stunned us all. The boys had attended the Fresno State-Santa Clara football game Saturday night in Portland and were returning to Fresno Sunday afternoon in a plane piloted by Wesley R. Trumbull and owned by his father, operator of the Trumbull Flying Service. Shortly after the take-off the plane struck the side of Mt. Sylvania and burst into flames. All but one of the students died instantly. The national fraternity was represented at the funeral services by Dr. Franklin C. Palm.

## CHARLES O. PRICE, JR.

Charles O. Price, Jr., Kappa Triton (Fresno) '50, an accounting major, was a charter member of the Fresno chapter. He was its second president and had been re-elected president for the fall semester 1948-1949. Chuck was liked and respected by all who knew him, and made many friends at the Diamond Jubilee Convention in Boston which he attended as Kappa Triton's official delegate.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Price, Sr.; two sisters, Mrs. Grace Wright and Miss Beverly Price, and a brother, Wayne Price, all of Fresno.

## EDWARD LEON MARBUT

Edward Leon Marbut, Kappa Triton (Fresno) '50 was also active in the fraternity. Inducted in Kappa Triton's first



CHARLES O. PRICE, JR.



EDWARD LEON MARBUT

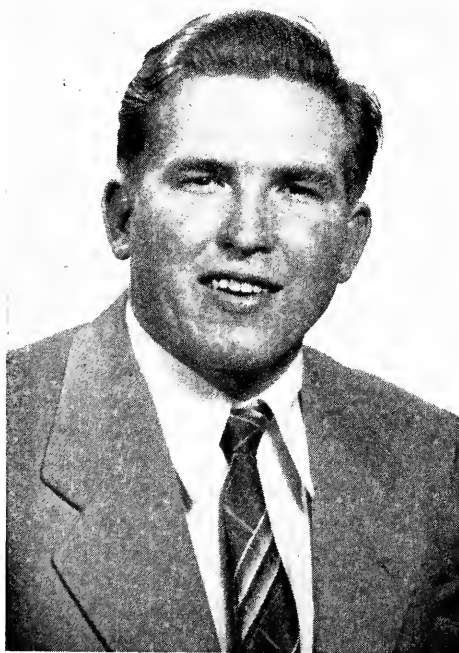
pledge class, he served as vice-president during the spring semester of 1948, and was a member of the chapter's championship bowling team. He was a pre-dental major.

Eddie was born in Itasca, Texas. During World War II he was in the Army Air Forces.

### **WESLEY RAYMOND TRUMBLE**

Wesley Raymond Trumble, Kappa Triton (Fresno) '50 was always ready to assist his fraternity in any capacity. His outstanding work on committees and his wise observations and suggestions will be sorely missed.

He was a Navy veteran and was studying to be a pharmacist. Besides his par-



WESLEY RAYMOND TRUMBLE

ents, he leaves a sister, Mrs. Elsie Shears of Fresno.

### **WILLIAM P. GROGAN, JR.**

William P. Grogan, Jr., Kappa Triton (Fresno) '50 was well-known in campus



WILLIAM P. GROGAN, JR.

art circles. He had just been inducted into Phi Sigma Kappa this fall. During the war he was a radar specialist in the Navy.

Surviving him are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Grogan, Sr., of Fresno.

### **WILLIAM MONTAGUE FERRY, JR.**

On October 2, 1948, at his home in Salt Lake City, William Montague Ferry, Jr., Omega (California) '23 died very suddenly from a blood clot.

Brother Ferry was born in Salt Lake City October 4, 1898 and received his early education in that city. He and his twin brother, Sanford Truman Ferry were initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa at the University of California. Returning to Salt Lake City, he established the W. M. Ferry Insurance Company which he headed until the time of his death.

He was a member of the Salt Lake Insurance Underwriters Association, Sons of the American Revolution, the University Club, and belonged to the Congregational Church.

Brother Ferry was also very active in Phi Sigma Kappa. From 1940 to 1946 he was Commissioner for the State of Utah. More recently he was assisting the expansion work of the fraternity, working with a group at the University of Utah.

His father, the late William M. Ferry, Sr., was mayor of Salt Lake City, and vice-president and general manager of Silver King Coalition Mining Company, Park City, Utah.

Survivors are his mother, Mrs. Ednah Truman Ferry, and his brother, Sanford Truman Ferry, both of Salt Lake City.

### G. MORTON DALLER

Phi Sigma Kappa mourns the passing of another loyal member, G. Morton Daller, Swarthmore '22, who died September 3, 1948 at his home in Norristown, Pennsylvania, at the age of 50.

Brother Daller was a native of Chester, Pennsylvania. He was president of the class of 1917 at Chester High School, and permanent vice-president of his class at Swarthmore. While in college he was a member of the Kwink, honorary society at Swarthmore. As an alumnus he became president of the Philadelphia Swarthmore Club.

He was treasurer of T. A. Winchell and Company, Inc., printers, and had been a member of the Board of Health in West Norriton Township for the last 12 years.

Surviving are his wife, Claire Stritzinger Daller; a daughter, Marlee Claire Daller; and a son, Morton Franklin.

### RODGER OLSON

Death, suddenly and untimely came to Rodger Olson, Illinois '47, on September 4, 1948 when the single-engine plane which he was piloting crashed into a four-apartment building in Bayside, Long Island. He died instantly. Several occupants of the building were also killed.

Brother Olson served as a first lieutenant with the Marine Corps night fighter squadron 542 in the Pacific battle areas of Ulithi and Okinawa during the war. He had just commenced a two-week course of intensive refresher training at Floyd Bennett Field in Brooklyn.

Many honors came to him during his four years of Marine Corps service. He won five air medals, the distinguished flying cross, and the presidential citation. He was the youngest member of his squadron.

His home was in Chicago, where he



RODGER OLSON

attended Senn High School and took Marine pre-flight training at North Park College before winning his wings at Pensacola, Florida.

Brother Olson graduated from the College of Commerce at the University of Illinois in August 1947. He then accepted a position as a salesman covering the Long Island territory for American Hospital Supply Company, and lived in New Rochelle with his brother-in-law and sister until his death. He was 25 years old.

He leaves behind his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Olson of Chicago; his sister, Mrs. Burton A. Ames, Kappa Kappa

Gamma (Illinois); and another sister, Miss Helen Olson, Kappa Alpha Theta (Northwestern), who is director of the Women's Division of the United Air Lines in Chicago.

### HERBERT E. KIMBROUGH\*

Dean Kimbrough, another "grand old man" of Phi Sigma Kappa and one of the most respected men on the Washington State College faculty, passed away



HERBERT E. KIMBROUGH

August 4, 1948 in Kansas City while visiting friends there.

Brother Kimbrough was born at Carthage, Illinois and reared at Rich Hill. After graduating from high school in 1894, he enrolled at the Springfield Normal School in Missouri which he attended for two years. He then traveled to Germany to study music and languages for an additional four years.

He went back to Rich Hill to give piano lessons in the college there and in 1902 came to Washington State College where he has since resided. In 1909 he was made professor of piano and after serving for eight years in that capacity was appointed dean of the School of Music and Applied Design.

In 1937, Dean Kimbrough became vice-president of the college and assistant to the president. The titles, Dean Emeritus and Vice-President Emeritus, were bestowed on him in 1946. Dean Kimbrough was the oldest member of the faculty in length of service to this school. He served WSC in various capacities for 46 years.

Besides his close association with Phi Sigma Kappa as our adviser and member of the Corporation, Brother Kimbrough was affiliated with such groups as Phi Mu Alpha, music honorary, Phi Kappa Phi, education honorary, the Kiwanis International, the Inland Empire Early Birds Club of Spokane, the Pullman Chamber of Commerce, Washington State Music Teachers Association of which he was president and director, and vice-president of the Pullman State Bank.

Dean Kimbrough had traveled extensively in Europe and Alaska besides his four years in a German school. His collection of art pieces was well known in the Palouse area and adjoining country as well as on the campus.

As if he were not busy enough with affairs of the college and his many organizations, Dean Kimbrough took an active interest in Chi Deuteron. He was a charter member of our chapter and so had something special in his attention to the group. He watched fondly while the new chapter house was constructed and always enjoyed coming up to see the boys.

We of the chapter and many Phi Sigs the nation over grieve the loss of our brother, Dean Herbert E. Kimbrough.

\*Obituary of Herbert E. Kimbrough written by David McKeen, Chi Deuteron '50.



### THOMAS OLIN BROADWATER

On the 26th of last March, Dr. Thomas Olin Broadwater, St. John's '13, passed away in the Memorial Hospital of Cumberland, Maryland after an illness of a few days. He had been in poor health for some time.

Funeral services were conducted from the home of Misses Ethel and Marian Viola Broadwater on March 29, with the Masons' Lodge No. 99 of Frostburg officiating, assisted by Rev. D. J. Combs, pastor of the Methodist Church, and Rev. George Ely, pastor of the Evangelical and Reformed Church. Members of the American Legion and W.O.W. were flower bearers. Dr. Broadwater was buried in Salisbury, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Broadwater attended Allegheny High School in Cumberland prior to entering St. John's College at Annapolis. He graduated from the University of Maryland Dental School, Baltimore, in 1916. Since that time he practiced dentistry in Grantsville, with a branch office in Friendsville.

He was a member of Ali Ghan Shrine, A.A.O.N.M.S., and Cumberland Consistory; Mountain Lodge No. 99, A. F. and A. M. of Frostburg; American Dental Association; Allegheny-Garrett Dental Society; and American Legion Post No. 214. He was an active member of the Grantsville Methodist Church, and he served on the Town Council. He served as financial secretary for Woodmen of the World, Camp No. 41, Grantsville from 1931 to 1947 and was a former Elk and Rotarian.

Dr. Broadwater had a pleasing personality and was well known in Maryland and Pennsylvania. As many as five hundred of his friends and relatives visited the home when his death became known.

He is survived by his wife, Esther; two sisters, Ethel Broadwater and Marian Viola Broadwater; and one brother, Dr. Melvin Frost Broadwater of Frederick, Maryland.

### BENJAMIN M. STOUT

Dr. Benjamin M. Stout, West Virginia '19, passed away at his home in Morgantown, West Virginia on September 27, 1948. At the time of his death, Dr. Stout was a retired physician, having practiced medicine in Monongalia County for twenty-three years. Brother Stout had been in



DR. BENJAMIN M. STOUT

ill health for a number of years, but his death was the result of a sudden heart attack.

Brother Stout attended Salem College and was given his bachelor of science degree at West Virginia University in 1919. He received his doctor's degree from Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia.

Brother Stout had been an active alumni worker for Delta Chapter for many years. In 1919 he made widespread solicitations among the alumni throughout West Virginia, and in recent years served as a financial adviser to the chapter. While the work Dr. Stout rendered for Delta was invaluable, it will be his fraternity spirit and zeal that will remain foremost in the memory of those brothers with and for whom he worked.

Dr. Stout was a former president of the Monongalia County Medical Society,

a member of the American and West Virginia Medical Associations, and Phi Beta Pi medical fraternity.

Dr. Stout is survived by his wife, Leola Smith Stout, and two sons, Benjamin Jr. and Robert, both now enrolled in Jefferson Medical College.

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### JAMES B. KINNE

Judge James B. Kinne, Gamma (Cornell) '02 died in Seattle, Washington at one o'clock in the morning September 23,



JAMES B. KINNE

1948, after being stricken in his courtroom in the afternoon. He was taken to the hospital in an ambulance and never regained consciousness after his collapse.

Brother Kinne was 68 years old. He had served continuously on the Superior Court bench of King County since his appointment to that office by the former Governor Roland Hartley in December 1925.

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We have been notified that the following brothers have also passed away: **Robert M. Watson**, Mu (Pennsylvania) '03, July 16, 1946; **Lt. Clifford K. Spauld-**

**ing**, USN, Theta Deuteron (Oregon State) '43, in line of duty on January 29, 1947; **Brendon P. Lyons**, Omicron (M.I.T.) '15, June 19, 1947; **Charles C. Allen**, Chi (Williams) '18, July 20, 1947; **Robert T. Managun**, Beta (Union) '40, January 2, 1948; **Henry H. Hofmeister**, Tau (Dartmouth) '40, January 13, 1948; and **Arthur Wright**, Iota (Stevens) '11, April 19, 1948.

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### SUMNER CUSHING BROOKS

Sumner Cushing Brooks, a great scientist who baffled the learned yet never awed the common man.

Sumner was born August 17, 1888 at Sapporo, Japan where his father, Dr. William P. Brooks '75 was one of the founders of the Agricultural College. He died at Bermuda April 23, 1948.

He came to our campus as a very small boy and lived in the President's House for a number of years. His childhood adventures took him all over the campus and among the students. As a mascot for athletic teams and a loyal rooter he earned the title of Alumnus even before he graduated from the Amherst High School in 1906.

The class of 1910 elected him as its freshman president. Phi Sigma Kappa was proud to initiate him not only as the son of its founder but because he was Sumner. As a small boy in the junior class play, the real start of the present Roister Doisters, he was the pest of the leading lady, our only co-ed. In athletics he was a member of the relay squad. He graduated magna cum laude, having led the class in scholarship each of the four years, and we of 1910 loved and admired him for it because of his quiet modesty.

For his graduate work Sumner chose Harvard University and botany as his major subject.

While at Harvard two important events took place. His interests became diverted from pure botany to physiology,

biochemistry and zoology and he met his wife, Dr. Mathilda M. Brooks, another outstanding scientist. He was awarded the degree of doctor of philosophy in 1916 and until his death his research and teaching duties were based at the following institutions: Research Biochemist, Institute National Dental Association 1916, Research Fellow, Western Reserve 1917; Teaching Fellow, Harvard University 1917-19; Associate Professor of Physiology and Biochemistry, Bryn Mawr 1919-20; Biologist, Hygiene Laboratory U. S. Public Health Service 1920-26; Professor of Physiology and Biochemistry, Rutgers University 1926-27; Professor of Zoology, University of California 1927-48.

From these bases he and his wife traveled all over the world to carry out experiments with large-celled marine algae that are found only in tropical and semi-tropical waters. He has been several times a delegate from the American Association for the Advancement of Science to meetings of the several International Scientific Congresses, each time presenting a very important paper. He has lectured at all of the internationally known universities, traveled across Russia in trains with the curtains often drawn, has been received under royal guidance in Japan and has been given special recognition at the Sapporo University, his birthplace.

To list the articles, pamphlets and books written by Sumner would require pages of print. Many were published in Germany and nearly all have been translated into several languages. He was an active member of at least a dozen national and international scientific societies, on their boards of directors and the editorial board of the *Journal of Experimental Biology*. As a trustee of the famous Woods Hole Biological Laboratory his counsel and judgment contributed much to the value of the laboratory's work.

Among his special honors were election to a long list of learned fraternities including Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, Phi Sigma, and Gamma Alpha Delta, and being listed in *American Men of Science* as early as 1921, *Minerva Jahrbuch der Gelehrten Welt* (Berlin) and *Who's Who*.

Sumner's research included physiology, immuno-chemistry, uranium poisoning, biological effects of light and permeability of plant cells to electrolytes. At Bermuda he was studying the rates of penetration of radioactive substances into single-celled plants, and had just completed important experiments.

It was while returning from a collecting expedition with his wife and a few other scientists that he was stricken. He thus died as he wished.

Sumner would insist that the valuable contributions, scientific and wifely, of Dr. Matilda Brooks be acknowledged in his memoirs. He and she together formed a rare team of scientists.

Dr. Sumner Cushing Brooks, Sumner to us of 1910, was a world renowned scientist who made highly technical and seemingly theoretical studies in pure science pertinent to very practical applications. We of 1910 soon discovered his abilities, quiet leadership, modesty, and kindness toward all. We are fortunate to have known him longer than the world has, and the world and we have profited by his unselfish endeavors in research, his integrity and lovable character. Science will miss his further work. We shall miss his presence.

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#### RAYMOND LINCOLN CHISHOLM

Raymond Lincoln Chisholm, Massachusetts '16 was born in Somerville June 29, 1894. He prepared for college at Melrose High School where he showed the ability in scholarship and athletics that was destined to make him an outstanding student in college.

On campus he at once entered into

the spirit of his class and college; he was a good student and an active athlete. He participated in hockey, track, cross country, baseball, football, and was captain of the 1916 varsity hockey team. In those days seven men made a hockey team and substitutes were not carried. Each player played every minute. Such teams as Yale, Harvard, and West Point were defeated.

Ray was quiet by nature but a fighting competitor in athletics. He was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa.

After graduation he was employed in the sugar business, managing plantations in Cuba. He returned to Massachusetts in 1932 and after farming for a short time went back to Melrose.

He was injured in a defense plant in 1943 and never recovered. He died on July 30, 1947. He is survived by his widow and three daughters.

### JOHNS-MANVILLE HONORS CREER

Robert L. Creer, Lehigh '18 is now a member of the Johns-Manville Quarter Century Club, an organization comprised of employees who have 25 years active service with the company to their credit. He was formally inducted into the organization at a luncheon held last May in New York, and was presented with a gold watch and pin at the ceremony.

Brother Creer has held various positions in sales and management at Johns-Manville, and is now staff engineer for the insulating department of the company's Industrial Products Division. Before joining Johns-Manville in 1923 he was associated with the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey. After graduating from Lehigh University with a civil engineering degree in 1918 he served with the U. S. Air Service during World War I.

Obituary of Sumner Cushing Brooks by Lawrence S. Dickinson, Alpha (Massachusetts) '10 and obituary of Raymond Lincoln Chisholm by Harold Caldwell.

## Bmoc's at Xi

The men of Xi lead the campus in the field of activities with fourteen men at the present time holding top level executive positions and a score or more holding secondary positions. Student government, publications, sports and clubs are represented in the roster of positions held by members of the undergraduate chapter.

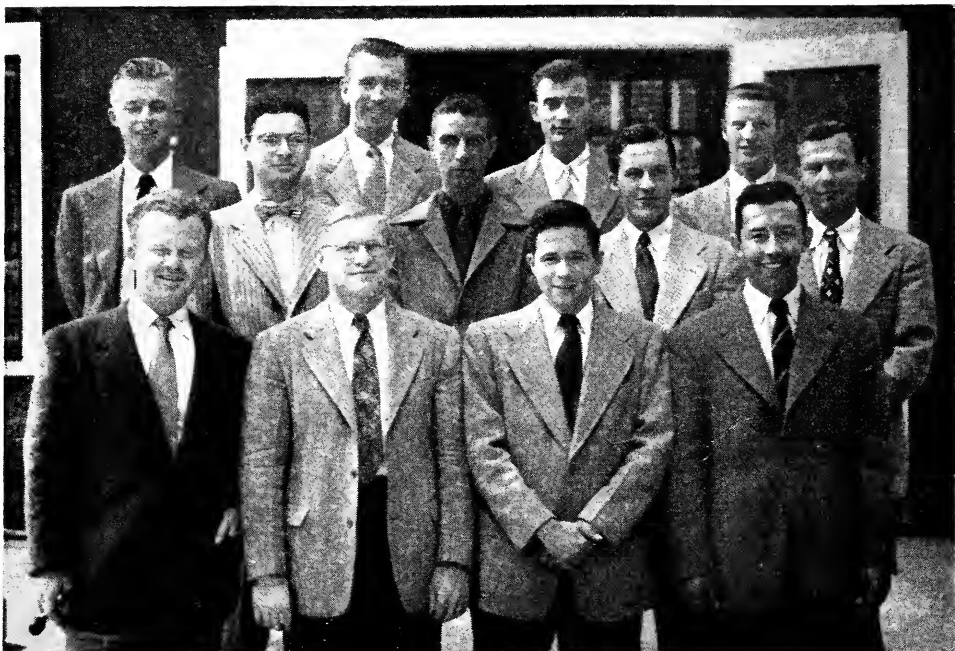
In April of this year Bill Rescorl, '49 was elected to the position of president of the Thelomathesian Society following a fiery speech which promised much for progressive student government during the present year. Indicative of the work that student government is now doing under the aegis of Bill was the adoption of a Student Union Program following a meeting attended by over 800 members of the student body.

In the field of publications Phi Sigs hold sway practically undisputed with Bill Davis, '50, editor of the *Hill News*; Martin Richman, '50, editor of the *Laurentian*; Andrew Doty, '50, editor of the *Sports Press Bureau*; Bill Caldwell, '50, business manager of the *Hill News*; and Bill Wieber, '50, advertising manager of the *Gridiron*.

Phi Sigs organized, promoted and have sparkplugged the rejuvenation of the Debate Club with Henry Hulbert, '50 as its president and with Bill Rescorl, '49 as president of Tau Kappa Alpha, honorary debate fraternity.

Sports take no back seat in the active chapter either, as will be attested the close second the chapter maintained in the intramural league last year. Two managerships are held by Phi Sigs: Guy Donaruma, '49 is manager of baseball and Richard Gaudion, '49 is manager of basketball. The Phi Sigs are very proud of Bill O'Rourke, '50 who is captain of the varsity basketball team.

Radio broadcasting on the campus



Left to right, first row: William Rescorl, '49; Henry Hulbert, '50; William Davis, '50, and Richard Niles, '50; second row: Martin Richman, '50; Guy Donaruma, '49; William Caldwell, '50; and William Wieber, '50; top row: Gilbert Maurer, '50; William O'Rourke, '50; William Gould, '49; and Andrew Doty, '50.

owes much of its progress and steady growth to the large group of Phi Sigs who work untold hours each week to put on a good program of broadcasts both in relation to the Radio Workshop and to the campus station, KSLU. Gilbert Maurer, '50 holds the position of sales manager of KSLU which is second in importance only to that of station manager.

Many members of the chapter have been initiated into the campus honorary fraternities including physics, math, biology, sociology, journalism and debate. Richard Niles, '50 is now president of the mathematics honorary, Pi Mu Epsilon. Bill Gould, '49 heads the honorary physics society, Sigma Pi Sigma.

Thus in very brief form we have presented for you a picture of the activities of the men of Xi in the field of campus clubs, government, publications and sports. We are very confident that in all their actions they will bring great credit

upon the undergraduate chapter, the alumni and the national fraternity.

### FORMER FOOTBALL STAR ASSISTS IN INVESTIGATION

William P. O'Neill, Mu '38, former center on the University of Pennsylvania football team, has made the news again. He has been appointed a special deputy attorney general to assist in the investigation of Philadelphia's tax shortages. He was sworn in by State Attorney General T. McKen Chidsey on September 29.

Brother O'Neill graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a bachelor of arts degree, and was admitted to the bar in 1941, the same year in which he obtained his law degree.

**Robert S. Bower**, Swarthmore '36 now resides in Cincinnati, where he is employed as Sales Service Supervisor by Emery Industries, Inc.

# RHODEMYRE MOST VALUABLE ALL-STAR

Jay Rhodemyre, Phi Deuteron (University of Kentucky) '48, was chosen as the most valuable player on the 1948 College All-Stars team by half a thousand gridiron experts who covered the game between the All-Stars and the Chicago Cardinals. Of the fourteen All-Stars who received votes, Jay was given a lead of almost two to one over his closest rival, Navy's Dick Scott, also a center.

The game, which was played on Chicago's Soldiers' Field, ended in a complete shut-out for the All-Stars, with the final score standing at 28 to 0 in favor of the Cardinals.

Jay, described as one of the busiest All-Stars in the game, was tabbed last year as the best of the nation's graduating centers by the *Chicago Tribune's* All-Players' All-America. He proved his mettle in defeat in this game by the futile defense against the line thrusts of the Cardinal runners and the expertly mixed aerial attacks of Paul Christman.

Ed Prell, sports writer for the *Chicago Tribune*, states that Rhodemyre's big chance came in the third quarter. He says that by this time the Cardinals were out in front, with a score of 14 to 0, and with the Cardinal's full back smashing down the middle on a trap play to the All-Stars' 24-yard line. It was fourth down, with five yards to go. The situation was one calling for a field goal, which would force the collegians to score

at least three times, if they were to rescue the game.

Harder, the Cardinal's point kicker, moved back to the 32, with Christman to receive the snap back from Center Vince Banonis. But it wasn't a kick after all. Jay suspected the trickery and batted down Christman's pass. At this time the All-Stars were still in the game, and this was a vital defensive play.

In spite of continued discouragement, Rhodemyre continued his great performance. One of the first to congratulate him after the game was Curly Lambeau, coach of the Green Bay Packers, with whom Jay made his debut the following Sunday in Minneapolis, against the New York Giants.

Jay was chosen last year as Center and Captain of the All Phi Sigma Kappa Football Team for 1947. (Jan. 1948 *SIGNET*, p. 57.)

## SOME RECORD STATISTICS

Sales statistics have revealed that there has been a big and continuous boom in the sale of phonograph records in the past five years. Contrary to what is generally thought, researchers have found that income doesn't affect musical tastes as much as the size of the city where a person lives, his education, and his age.

There are more record-player owners in cities of more than a half million population than anywhere else.



JAY RHODEMYRE

# *A Letter From Lebanon*

NEAR EAST SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

AMERICAN MISSION

BEIRUT, LEBANON

August 28, 1948

Dear Brothers:

It was great to receive your letter with all the news of Gamma and Cornell. After one has been out of school for a few years he becomes hardened to the ordinary run of form letters, so your letter came as a fresh and welcome surprise.

After ten years in the parish ministry in Rhode Island I ran into this opportunity to teach at the Near East School of Theology in Beirut. Having had a hankering to teach as well as travel I didn't waste much time in grabbing it. Accompanied by our two children, Gary and Margaret, my wife and I arrived last mid-November. We were greeted, on the positive side, by mission personnel, the magnificent mountains of the Lebanon, and the poinsettias in full bloom. On the negative side, noise, dirt, and gargling-spitting sounds of Arabic. All very confusing at first but not for long. One gets adjusted rapidly.

One cannot think of the Near East these days without centering his attention on the Palestine problem. Our proximity to the Holy Land has brought us into touch with many of the 300,000 refugees. The minister of the Arab congregation which meets in our mission compound has recently come here from Haifa. At the time of the mass exodus of Arabs from that city he had over five hundred members of that former parish call at his house here within a week. Housing is an acute problem for these people for Beirut, like Ithaca, has suffered from a shortage since the war and rents are exorbitant. Our six-room apartment in a very average section of the city costs our Board — fortunately not us — \$1,400 for a year's rent in advance.

Being close to Palestine, we have been able better to understand the Arab side of this dispute. We have, in fact, become very sympathetic with this point of view, which has hardly received just treatment by the American press. We have found furthermore, that consular, news, and other mission personnel who have been close to the situation for a long time are very definite in their Arab sympathies, in private if not always in public.

But having said this from our nearby vantage point, we have to admit that for immediate news we have to wait until *Time* magazine arrives from the States. Journalism here is notorious and add to that a very crude knowledge of Arabic on our part as yet: the result is much rejoicing when we have *Time* in our hands.

Our school here is small but still serves as the only academically qualified institution in the Near and Middle East for the training of men and women for service in Protestant communions. Over half of the students are Americans, the others being Arabs. We work under a joint arrangement with the American University of Beirut. Since an ordinary person can become an expert if he gets far enough away from home I was seated in the principal's chair as of July first this year.

Like the Lebanon, generally Beirut reveals a much greater influence of the West than do the surrounding areas. So we see a strange contrast here between dress that would pass unnoticed in Middletown, U.S.A. and that which seems to have come directly out of Arabian Nights. Of course, all the Moslem women wear the veil though many may be garbed otherwise in European dress. You may see the local yokels attired in anything from rags, to P(risoner) W(ar) clothes, to be-

turbaned, berobed outfits more typically Arab. Automobiles are abundant and noisy. And along with them more pushcarts than in the Bowery.

The scenery is unsurpassable. Directly from the shore the mountains rise up to the heights of 10,000 feet. Within less than an hour's drive from the city you can be a mile high where it is cool enough to sleep under several blankets at night. It's rugged, barren terrain, providing excellent skiing in the winter time.

We have found the people extremely cordial and hospitable. They will gladly render almost any kind of favor. At the same time one cannot help noting certain contrasts with America because of the lack of a Christian heritage. All windows in all houses — unless the shacks are made of tin cans, that does happen — are barred. You don't leave the windshield wipers on your car during the dry summer, they'd be gone before June. And you have a new experience for the possibilities of government red tape when you try to get your car licensed. By paying an agent \$10 you can manage to get the job done within a week. Even with the agent you have to put in about ten hours of time on successive days. Then it takes about two hours every month to get your gasoline ration card. But despite such inconveniences we still like the place greatly and we are enjoying the work and the people.

It was good to hear of the class of '34. I would certainly enjoy seeing them all again.

Best wishes for a good year at Gamma.

Fraternally yours,  
Horace McMullen

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## Phi Sig Contributes Most At Cornell

Last spring, at a meeting of the Cornell Interfraternity Council, Gamma Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa received the initial award of the plaque in recognition of "The Cornell Fraternity Contributing Most to University Life." A committee composed of members of the university faculty and administration had studied the qualifications of the Council's forty-eight fraternities for several months before making the award.

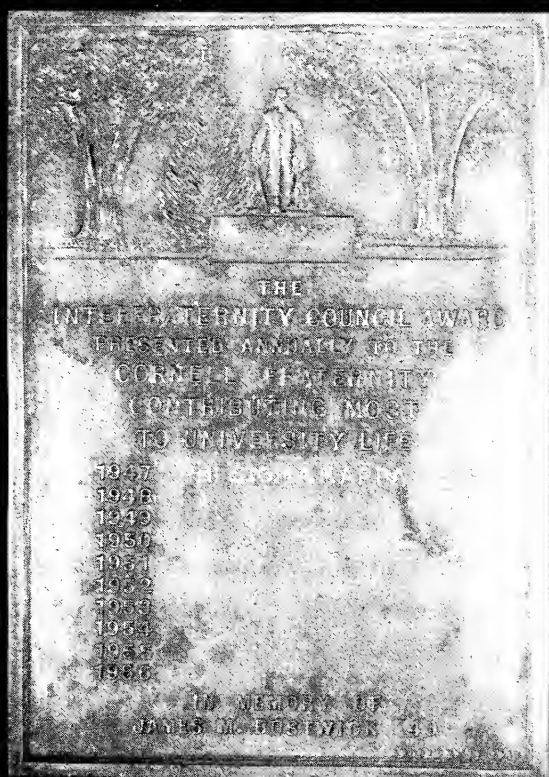
This plaque will be awarded each year to the fraternity with the most progressive and balanced program. Emphasis is placed on individual and chapter activities which are aimed at helping others in the university community.

Gamma has long been a leader "Far above Cayuga's waters." During the school year for which the plaque was awarded, Gamma-men held the following positions: president of Student Council, secretary of the Interfraternity Council, treasurer of the campus Red Cross

unit, treasurer of the student Decorations Committee (YASNY "You ain't seen nothin' yet"), and three offices in Hotel Ezra Cornell. Gamma points with pride to such traditional functions as Homecoming, Guest Night (for faculty dinner guests), the Christmas Banquet, Parents' Day, the annual Faculty Tea, and the Alumni Reunion Breakfast. At Cornell, Phi Sigma Kappa is always represented in interfraternity athletics, the Interfraternity Singing Contest, football lighting displays, and the Ice Sculpturing Contest. Gamma is also proud of its intensive programs for pledge education and alumni relations. These two activities bring new and old Cornellians closer to the university.

The plaque was presented to the Interfraternity Council by the alumni of the Cornell chapter of Sigma Phi Fraternity. It is a memorial to James M. Bostwick who was killed in World War II.





# CHAPTERETTES

## GAMMA

### Cornell University

The chimes are ringing in the library tower and Gamma-men are once again walking up the hill to classes. It is hard to realize that four months have passed since the 14 graduating seniors were honored at the Gamma Graduation Dinner last June. The speeches given on that occasion by Professor Sutherland of the Cornell Law School and Dr. Moore, our Adviser, will be long remembered by all present.

Graduation came and with it came the Alumni Reunion. It was a banner year for Phi Sigs to return to Cornell and a true reunion. The activity-packed week end was brought to a fitting climax by the Gamma Alumni Reunion Breakfast. This event was such a success, it has now been declared a traditional function to be carried out each year.

Perhaps the summer passed so quickly because it was such a busy one. Work, vacations, and summer rushing kept most of the brothers occupied. A few eager beavers stayed in Ithaca for summer school tempered by afternoons of golf. During this summer session the alumni secretary sent a detailed report to regional directors and class secretaries. The results of the intensified alumni relations program are becoming more apparent every day.

Wedding bells rang out for four Gamma-men this summer. The happy husbands are Art Nilson '47, Jim Mann '47, Gil Gude '48, and Jim Mange '49.

A week before classes started we were back at the house. Paint, soap, and elbow grease were the order of the day. By the time rushing started everything was bright, shiny, and ready for inspection.

Bill LePard, rushing chairman, assisted by Hugh McGeehan and Tom Potts organized the finest rushing program that Gamma has seen in many a year. Following two weeks of intensive rushing

we are very proud to present our 19 new pledges: John Cantlay, Bromley Clegg, Frank Forthoffer, Rolf Frisch, Sergio Gonzalez, Philip Gottling, Bob Lewis, Harry McFarren, Carlos Marranzini, Robert Mischka, Dave Murray, Carl Preis, Henry Rather, Barry Robinson, Larry Smith, David Thomas, Chick Ver Valen, and Steve Williams. We are all smiling like the cat that swallowed the canary for we are sure that we have the finest pledge class on "the Hill."

During rushing we had the pleasure of a visit from four brothers of Tau Chapter. A long talk with Dick Johnson on fraternity affairs was particularly enjoyable.

This will be an active year for Phi Sigs in all phases of activity at Cornell. Along athletic lines we shall be represented in crew by Tim Magee, Tom Bissell, Curt terKuile, Dave Murray, John Cantlay, Bob Lewis, and Frank Forthoffer; in lacrosse by Suds Sutherland, Chick Ver Valen, and Bromley Clegg; in soccer by Rod Specht; in tennis by Bruce Welsh; in track by Bruce Lentz; in fencing by Tom Latimer; in 150-pound football by Doug Anderson; and in wrestling by Tom Potts. On the managerial staffs Ray Eggert and Clark Karcher are with the football team and Ed Taylor is with fencing.

Looking over the field of journalism we find Ray Eggert on the Cornellian Board and Jerry Bedenk on the Widow Staff. Not lacking in musical talent we have Strat Johnson and Bob Heuerman in the Glee Club. Tom Potts is director of the Cornell Red Cross Unit and is supervising the Cornell Shows, the Cornell Blood Bank, and the year's financial campaign. Don McCurry is again working with the Student Council and Interfraternity Council.

On October 9th our alumni are returning for Homecoming. From the mail that pours in each day it should prove to be the greatest reunion of all

times. The Big Red team is meeting Harvard and we are expecting a win. The team, underrated by sportscasters, has bowled over NYU and Navy on the last two week ends. From all indications the entire week end should be a very enjoyable one. Following shortly thereafter will be the annual pledge formal. Then we will be deep into the fall term and ready to send you more news in the next SIGNET.

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## XI

### St. Lawrence University

*By* JOHN VOUGHT

The Phi Sigs came back home last month, 96 of the stalwarts returning to their home at Xi Chapter. Many of the brothers reported that their summer jobs were interesting and varied. Xi men worked at almost everything from research men for Governor Dewey's campaign to truck drivers. On their return

to campus, however, the boys have resolved to settle down and cop the interfraternity scholastic plaque for a second time. They have won it last spring and now seek to retire the honor permanently to the portals of Phi Sig Hall.

The chapter was far from inactive during the summer months. Eight men stayed on for summer school and under the direction of Brother Bill Rogers these boys went to town and completed the removal of the old stucco from the exterior of the house. Not content with this achievement the boys went on to erect the lathe base for the new stucco and completed painting the columns and trim. The rear porch was also remodeled and the cement work on the porch repointed. Labor difficulties have held up completion of the summer work, but Brother Clarence Cushman, a Xi alumnus, has donated all the necessary material to complete the task and it is expected the labor bug will be ironed out soon.



XI CHAPTER HOUSE

Rumor has it that the best fare on campus is prepared in the Phi Sig kitchen and probably this is not far from wrong. A new refrigerator, toaster, and other equipment were added during the summer. At present the chapter is dining 70 men at every meal.

This seems to be the planning period in college life and ideas are flying thick and fast about the chapter house. The boys are out to repeat on a successful intramural football session. Workouts have been held daily and Coach Jim Lally reports that the team is shaping up.

In conjunction with the new Student Union Program the house is sponsoring an open dance at the Union Building. The theme is to be Parisian and arrangements are under the direction of Social Chairman Don Blanchard.

The traditional homecoming for St. Lawrence alumni is October 16, when the Scarlet and the Brown meet their traditional rivals, the sliderulers of Clarkson Tech. A large group of alumni is expected to be on hand at the house to renew old friendships and form new ones also.

The brothers are also preparing for the coming rushing season. Doug Barns heads this year's rushing committee assisted by 12 of his brethren. Xi plans to come through, as usual, with a top-flight pledge class.

All in all, things seem to be going well at Xi. We confess to our brother chapters that we have only one difficulty. Our undergraduate delegate to the national convention, Gil Dwyer, is rumored to have dated the Moonlight Girl in Boston. We haven't been able to get either of his feet on the ground since he returned.

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**DELTA DEUTERON**  
University of Michigan

By PHIL BURTON

We're back at the same old stand doing business again at Delta Deuteron

after the vacation months. Basically it's the same old bunch that packed up textbooks last June and stuffed them away in the attic. For the most part we're the very same people who stayed up too late at night and drank too much coffee and smoked too many cigarettes during exam week last spring. But not quite. Three months older and three months wiser, we've worked in automobile factories and sold shoes and peddled beer kegs and painted houses and strung telephone lines and balanced books and driven taxicabs . . . One of us lost his father. Some of us are married now; some of us no longer have our fraternity pins. Others graduated and left us. The individual faces are the same; our collective face has changed.

Gone are the days of summer vacation. To a dozen of us that meant summer session and another two months' grind at the books. Most of the others were out building up dwindling savings and combating the high cost of living. Terry Mock was a state highway inspector at an asphalt plant. Dick Rappley covered sports events around southeastern Michigan for *Thé Flint Journal*. Bill Wells was an assistant project engineer for the Michigan State Highway Department, and Brothers Bill Harrison, Bill Jones, and Dave Pontius held government positions in Alaska (railroad section crew). Lex Herrin contracted construction jobs around Ann Arbor and employed Brothers Don Hostetler, Joe Naymik, and Bill Haberman. The rest of us held all sorts of jobs from accountants to just plain laborers.

An adventure-seeking quartet of Pontius, Harrison, Jones, and Otts Roth drove to Alaska in June in Dave's '47 Dodge. Their trip covered 10,000 miles. They got back three months, five tires, a bashed-in oil pan and a broken fan belt later, and richer by about \$150 apiece. Dave and his hardy lot went up by the Alcan Highway to Fairbanks and Circle

City, then settled down between Fairbanks and Anchorage for the summer. Otts lost his father shortly after the group reached Alaska, so in a true fraternal way, the rest of them pawned possessions and cleaned out wallets to see that Otts flew back to the States. Jonesy and Harrison worked as "gandy dancers" on the railroad, while Dave was "bull cook" (KP) and ace baby sitter. All of them let their beards grow and had more foliage than a forest when they trekked into Ann Arbor just before the fall semester started.

There was a flurry of marriages starting in August and on into October. Brother Jim Jameson and Karen Holmes had an August wedding in Detroit, and Glenn Bauer exchanged vows a few weeks later with "Rusty" Larson, Zeta Tau Alpha, at a wedding in Gary, Ind. Alumnus Bob Engel and Sally Albrecht had a recent wedding in Detroit, and Pledge Bill McClintic married Patricia Fick in Lapeer, Mich. Another favorite alum, ex-"house mother" Ted Bower married Martha Dieffenbacher in Detroit.

Several members lost pins during the late summer and early fall. Bryce Bennett gave his pin to Betty Post, Lee Stewart and Bill Diefenbach passed out cigars to announce pinnings to Marilyn Waite and Ann Rogers, respectively, and Fred Willis lost his pin to Betty Chrouch. John Swanson went a step further and gave Jane Ewbank a hefty diamond. So the supply of unattached men is dwindling.

We're well into the thick of fall semester work. Some of us have taken on part-time work besides to beat HCL and keep the wolf away. Don Hostetler is driving cab, Joe Naymik is a soda jerk at the Michigan League, and Bill McAninch and Jonesy are waiters at the Michigan Union. Another half dozen or more are waiters or dishwashers at other fraternities or sororities.

Campus activities are going strong too.

Brother Herrin is managing editor of the Michigan Technic, the College of Engineering's magazine. Brothers Don Dulude and Harrison are photographers for the Ensian, the school yearbook, and Roy Brogren is a photographer for the Michigan Daily and Technic. Lee Stewart is recording secretary of Tau Beta Pi. Both Stewart and Brogren are members of the nationally famous University of Michigan Marching Band.

The number of affiliates with us has grown this semester. Brother Don Kotite is in Ann Arbor from Beta Triton, as is fellow Knox College student, Hugh Watson. Peter Thompson, an Ann Arbor resident, is back in the old home town from Alpha Triton at Wesleyan University. Dick Parker, who went active at Omega Deuteron in 1945, is studying engineering here now. Dick's home is Erie, Pa.

We heard all the stories of the Diamond Jubilee Convention from Dick Rappley and Dean Luse, who went to Boston with Cork Adler, Chapter Adviser.

Rushing this semester was in the capable hands of Charlie Towar, who was out to see that Delta Deuteron got the best. Towar and his committee filled the card room with pictures, maps, banners, and all sorts of fraternity paraphernalia in an impressive display. Some of the upstairs rooms have been re-decorated by the incumbents (one a dainty passion pink — the room, that is) and the rushees never saw a neater bunch of living quarters. Also impressive was our new radio-phonograph which replaces the beat-up instrument which saw so much service on every occasion. The new Farnsworth is there primarily because of the quick thinking and acting of Alumnus Lloyd Nyman, who learned of the radio going at a bargain figure and saw to it that the house got there first.

House business, policy, and function this semester are in the hands of the fol-

lowing officers: Hugh Allerton, president; Bryce Bennett, vice-president; Dick Rappley, secretary; Rex Curtis, treasurer and house manager; Tom Crossman, sentinel; and John Swanson, inductor.

During the first week of the new semester we initiated nine men. Taking their places among us were Brothers Jim Chipman, Carl Darnell, Don Dulude, John Hancock, Len Dietz, Bob Eidson, Tom Roby, John Salles, and Dave Skeels. A banquet and an informal stag party followed the initiation.

Delta Deuteron looks back on its past accomplishments with pride. Some of us have watched and helped to make the chapter grow from a small chapter on a side street to one of the bigger, more important houses on campus. Now we have a responsibility to safeguard the chapter achievement and eminence. We have a challenge—to continue to strengthen and straighten and improve. And we figure we're the kind that can do it.

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### CHI

#### Williams College

By H. ELTON WILLIAMS

Chi Chapter once again opened its portals to returning undergraduates on September 19, when some 35 members struggled in, tanned and refreshed, from their summer vacations. Everyone had obviously enjoyed their summer experiences, whether at work or play, for the prospect of returning to the winter grind immediately took the grin off the faces of several members. This, however, was to be expected so we settled down to the business of rushing with due alacrity and with high hopes.

Our expectations proved not to be disappointed, for at the end of the rushing period Chi Chapter had come out with colors flying. Seven fine pledges arrived in the Phi Sig fold on the night of September 28, among whom was one senior, Lew Somers, and six freshmen—

Bob Aliber, Randy Cooper, Frank Eichelberger, Dick Schwab, Bob Sentner, and Dick Waterman. Chi Chapter is proud to have these men with it and hopes that they will enjoy themselves as Phi Sigs.

Several nights after our arrival at Chi we observed that one of our members was conspicuous by his absence. We were not to be disappointed, however, for soon, with the smell of salt surrounding his person, Brother King arrived from off the high seas with a weather-beaten face and two months' growth of beard. Just back from a trip to South America and the Persian Gulf with the Merchant Marine, he had many interesting stories to tell of his experiences in those far-away places.

This summer two of our alumni of the class of '48 were fortunate enough to be able to take a trip to Europe. Brother Lukas, former president of the chapter, and Brother Austin are now in Madrid where they are studying at the university of that city. Their letters to us report good health and many rare experiences.

With the coming of fall weather Chi Chapter is now in full swing, and we are looking forward, with a fine pledge class, to another year of great fun and achievement.

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### IOTA

#### Stevens Institute of Technology

Starting off the new term, the Iota men's chow-time talk was about reaching the goal which Joe de Felice, Robert Halstrick, John Madill, Al Neuffer, Pete Petaros, and Jim Solms have attained last June. These six graduates had a grueling time of it, each putting in a hitch for Uncle Sam before completing their courses. There are only five pre-draft undergraduates left in our chapter.

A year before graduating, Jim got ambitious and started to build a car out of a '33 Ford chassis and a 1946 Mercury motor. Soon Iota men started to call the

giant jeep, with plush seats for eight, appropriately the "Solmsmobile." This summer, when the car was finished, Jim, his brother Preston, Charles Bittman '44, and another friend, used the car for a 11,000-mile camping trip over the Rockies and back — proving the worth of the machine.

Bob Halstrick has recently announced his engagement to Jim's sister, Miss Patricia Solms of Ridgewood, New Jersey. Pat has graced many of our chapter affairs with her presence. Sandy Kahn, our mad Dutchman, has been promoted to the rank of Marine Captain in the Netherlands Navy. No more corny cracks about looies for him.

Fourteen men of Iota spent the summer contouring the Stevens Engineering Camp near Johnsonburg, New Jersey, and making the discovery that poison ivy is not pleasant, and dropping field notes in the lake does not help matters much. Of the recreational games played, soccer was the rave. As the story goes, the team with the biggest GI boots won. Ray Errickson, '51, continued his practice here in Hoboken, and now can be found limping around with a hot water bottle tied to his thigh. Some guys can never be held down.

During the summer we had several visitors from other chapters, even all the way from the West Coast. We hope that during this school year others will stay with or visit us while in the New York area.

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### EPSILON DEUTERON

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

By RICHARD H. McMAHON JR.

To the consternation of many students here at Tech who needed to make up credits, there was no summer school held this year. However, your scribe is not without news, as many brothers at the Chapter on the Hill were very busy during the summer months and since school opened on the 30th of September.

Brother Bill "Glop" Collings has acquired a perpetual "ain't it a wonderful life?" attitude since his engagement to Miss Beverly Ingman, who attends Becker Junior College here in Worcester.

One step ahead of Bill are three brothers who were married this summer: Paul DuLong, Ken Neale, and Jerry Welts. They, in turn, are excelled by brothers Herb Pettee and Howie White, who became fathers of a daughter, Linda, and a son, David Brooks, respectively.

Turning from pleasure to business, we find that during the spring and fall practice sessions, the brethren were able to accomplish many needed repairs around the house. The dining room has been completely redecorated, ceiling, walls, woodwork, and floor; all the rooms on the second floor are being repapered; and the main hall and living room floor have been refinished. With a few odd pennies found lying about we were able to purchase a new rug for the living room and one for the game room upstairs. Amidst all these cheerful scenes of achievement, however, is a somber note — we are mourning the passing of most of our front lawn.

Brothers who have returned to Tech after absences are Harry Mankey, Bob Chin, and Mac White. Brother Archibald is still here and is still working on the juke box.

The first big social event this year will be the Tech Homecoming on October 30th. This week end will feature a parade stopping at all nine Tech fraternity houses, and a prize will be awarded to the house which displays the most original and appropriate decorations outside and the warmest hospitality within. Several of the brothers are expecting brainstorm any day which will enable us to walk off with that prize, and John, our new cook, will be on hand to set up a feast for our returning alumni.

While we have been busy with chapter work, many brothers are in prom-

inence on campus. On the football squad are Brothers Flood and Freeland, Jack Reid and Dave Brown (track captain) are back with the cross country team, and Brothers Mankey, Shattuck, and Leonard are playing first string soccer.

Last spring Skull, the senior honor society, awarded its annual trophy to Brother Andy Freeland as the freshman who had done the most for the school. This year Andy is again president of his class, Brother Jack Brierly is president of the junior class (Jack has been class president for the last three years), and Jim Adams, house president, is president of the senior class.

With this as a start, Epsilon Deuteron is entering another year, which promises to be successful, profitable, and well equipped with plenty of fun for all. Best of luck to all chapters in rushing and in all your activities.

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### XI DEUTERON

University of Tennessee

By JOHN P. WAMPLER

Taking our somewhat tattered quill in hand once more (the last time for this particular correspondent) we undertake one more SIGNET article. Here we sit with a calendar in one hand and the last edition of the SIGNET in the other trying once more to recall just what has happened here at Xi Deuteron since that publication. For the skeptic's benefit: we write with our left foot — shoes being only accessories in Tennessee.

Starting off the spring quarter as scheduled on April 16 the pledge class took over with their promised "Turnabout Day." Came 6 A.M. on that day and such adverse deeds as pledges breaking good active brothers out of bed to such names as "Waddles" Bohanon and "Horseface" Dodson were entirely in order. Yep, for 24 hours, during which the "Tri-T" Club had complete charge, the actives of Xi Deuteron went through

untold miseries. President-for-the-day Howard Clark and his fellow pledge brothers did a "bang-up" job of reversing the tables on the actives who were forced to suffer such indignations as calling all pledges Mister; furnishing matches for these power-happy despots; and wearing placards bearing "I am a Tri-T pledge" wherever they happened to be on that day.

The day's activities were climaxed in a party to which all active brothers' erstwhile girl friends were escorted by gleefully laughing pledges. The sight of such impregnable active brothers as Jerry (Deuteron) Robinson, "Silent Roy" Marsh, and Neno (New Jersey) Nelms waiting on all hands was indicative of the complete changeover. Yes indeed, the pledges had their day: then —

After letting the pledges have a taste of the headaches that accompany party-planning, the actives again took the reins and under the "capable" hands of Vice-prexy "Wamp" (that's me) we threw an "extremely successful" combination hayride and hamburger fry. Yes sir, that was probably the best party the Phi Sigs have had since we came back on the "Hill." Everything went off exactly as ole Brother Wamp planned — precision stuff no less. Of course, he might have forgotten to bring the hamburger, and the buns, and the coffee, and a couple of other little things, but there were plenty of pickles, onions, and marshmallows for all — what more could a fellow want? We call your attention to the brevity of this last paragraph — we prefer not to even talk about it.

Feeling that such great "success" at throwing parties was being wasted on ourselves, we then decided to call in some outside critics on the subject and forthwith invited the newly chartered Pi Beta Phi Sorority over for Sunday dinner—Brother (Working Bear) Whiteside having charge of the "vittles" this



time. Needless to say this proved a wise move and an excellent dinner was followed with a thoroughly successful afternoon, highlighted by a piano recital rendered by Brother "Maestro" Tarpy — the type of piano playing that all good square dance callers dream of.

By this time the quarter was drawing to a close and the time was at hand for Xi Deuteron's annual senior day in honor of our departing brothers. The evening's activities were set under way with a stag banquet presided over by "Mom" Billings and Brother David (Dynamo) Dodson, which culminated in the presentation of cups to the Best Senior and Best Pledge of the year. The choosing of these two "bests" from the pledge and senior class had been a tough decision, but it was finally decided that Brother P. T. Smith, our present secretary, was to receive the award of Best Pledge and that Brother John Wampler, the man who forgot the hamburger, was to be honored as Best Senior. The presentation was then followed by a dance at the house and came 11:30 that night spring quarter social activities for the Phi Sigs here at Tennessee were literally terminated.

Immediately each and all took up their still "uncracked" books in preparation for the coming week's final exams, and with the election of summer officers — president, Gordon Sams; vice-president, Jack Whiteside; secretary, P. T. Smith; treasurer, Dave Dodson; sentinel, Harry Gossett; and inductor, Jim Grove — the spring quarter closed.

After a two-week vacation those few "book-happy" Phi Sigs that rely entirely upon summer grades to pull them through the cold winter months began straggling in and, with some 20 men in the house and 10 local men, summer quarter got under way. For the first four or five weeks, it looked like they were really here to get an education. Then someone said something about a party —

Accepting the challenge nobly, newly elected Vice-prexy Jack (Working Bear) Whiteside thereupon scheduled three summer "shin-digs."

The "primer" was a swimming party complete with some mighty fine "grub." This was the first time the boys had had a chance to release their scholastically



A huge replica of the pledge pin hovering overhead seems to gloat over the lot of "demoted" activities on Turnabout Day.

pent-up energies this summer and the selection of Alcoa, a nearby recreation area, proved just what they needed. From some source the smaller children in swimming that afternoon had gotten the idea that the slides, waterwheels, rafts, etc., were there for their use. However our more analytically-minded brothers soon discouraged this belief and delved into the intricacies of "belly busting," "log rolling," etc., as applied to these highly scientific devices. There were a few bruises incurred but they in no way detracted from a thoroughly enjoyable outing.

The next move on the "Working Bear's" agenda was to give a dance in concurrence with the rush committee. Since about that time the more expressive southern states were attempting to renew hostilities with those "damn-yankees" it was decided that a political convention theme was in order and the house thereupon was decorated accordingly inside and out. This proved a big success with the rushees both in itself and in the fact



The house as it looked on the night of Xi Deuteron's Political Convention party.

that again "Mom" Billings and "Moonbeam" Mary Ann Anderson dished out an excellent buffet supper. Everyone passed the evening at the candlelit tables out on the "streamered" front porch or dancing to the music of a local orchestra, paying little or no attention to the sketches of such illustrious brothers as John I. (Pills) Parker, Harry (Golden Boy) Gosset and William (Mad Man) Houk that adorned the walls of the living room. We think red carnations are in order for Miss Jewel Lucas of Alpha Delta Pi, who is the only living artist who could capture these lads' rather "rustic" features.

It was about this time that some Kentuckians climbed on a Yankee bandwagon in Philadelphia and we couldn't help but wonder if the instigators of this move weren't perhaps Phi Deuteronites who had abandoned their mayor for bigger fish. We kept listening for such names as De Spain, Grumble, or Prather

but the radio censors must have been cutting out profanity.

With this, Xi Deuteron again renewed studies prior to and during the convention — so socially all has been quiet hereabouts except for a slight mummer up in the Smokie Mountains around July 4 when Brother Lee Corlew attempted to smoke out a hornet's nest and darn near burnt an essential building down. Brother John Milliken and Nell, John's only wife, along with Nosey — the only sensible party present at the gathering (a dog) — served as excellent Independence Day chaperons, we have been told.

If there are by chance any readers who remember our anticipating that we would win Carnicus and the softball tournament at U. T. (re. May SIGNET) we are inclosing a picture of Brother "Rog" Bohanon, our very capable Carnicus manager, hard at work on the skit that the censors barred from competition for indecency. For the reason that is given in last issue we refused to discuss softball.

More seriously, Phi Sigma Kappa here at Tennessee also has had a rather successful quarter along other lines than social ones since last issue. Among the several offices on the campus already held by Phi Sigs, the new vice-president of the All Students Club, the student governing council here, is Brother Dave Dodson; Dave's old job of student athletic representative, the only student having a "say so" on athletic matters, was given to Brother Robin Johnson. Prexy "Slick" Sams is the social chairman for all campus activities and Brother Jack Whiteside is on the Homecoming committee. We now have, as a result, three out of 24 votes in the All Students Club.

Again we are proud to announce the initiation of three new brothers — Clay Bearden, Don Anderson, and Buddy Daniels — who show great promise along with our five new pledges since last issue of THE SIGNET: Jim Crumm, Jim

Moore, Tommy Marx, Bob (Red) Sanford and Bill Gwinn. Yes siree, if all these lads, brothers and pledges alike, go about their work in everything as they did in helping to dig out our new driveway, no telling what we will be hearing of their future part in Phi Sig. To add to these, another addition around these parts is Brother Bob Simpson from Swarthmore, who transferred here for the summer quarter. Bob has already proven his worth and we can't help but feel that Phi's loss is indeed our gain.

As if all these factors weren't reward enough we have also been lucky in receiving visits from other chapters since the spring quarter. Theta Triton started the ball rolling when Brothers Ken Dyer and Art Warren came in and took over some of the Tennessee gals for a day. These "Longhorns" were closely followed by Brothers Jim Flemming and Vance Barker, also of Texas, who stopped en route to Yankee territories. Ken also stopped on his return trip for a few days and had no sooner left than Brother Bob Wildermuth, from Epsilon Triton passed through en route to Nashville accompanied by a gentleman we can remember only as Stan, the Purple Devil, who introduced an American University beverage and secret society into these parts. This same week end Pledge Bert Green from Omicron Deuteron also spent with us before returning to Alabama. Last but not least, Brothers Miles Cunningham and Glenn (Swede) Lundell from Omega Deuteron at U.S.C. stayed overnight with us and we again got to "swap" pointers. We were really glad to see these lads all roll in from time to time and hope that they are only advance warnings of many more visits to come from all chapters.

Oh yes, we never did hear from Brothers Jim Flemming and Vance Barker again. Since they seemed intent on visiting "Fee" Deuteron at Lexington before continuing north, we are afraid that in



President-elect "Slick" Sams presents the Best Senior cup to Vice-president incumbent John Wampler, while Secretary-elect P. T. Smith receives the Best Pledge trophy from Treasurer Dave Dodson, last year's recipient of that honor.

spite of our warnings and yes, even pleading, they must have ventured into that desolated outpost. If there are any chapters north of Lexington who have heard from these two good Texas brothers we would feel greatly relieved to hear of it here at "Zee" Deuteron. Speaking of being relieved, we were just that, when we heard that "Fee" Deuteron Brother Bill Ellison finally managed to fool some misguided Kentucky "filly."

As last spring quarter came to a close we again found ourselves in a rather sad spot. Like last year with it went a large number of our older men whose place in Phi Sig are going to have to be filled by new blood, and a large job it is going to be we are afraid. It was at this time that we lost Brothers P. B. Conley, Monty Graham, Jack Bridge, Curtis Overton, "Hoss" Shofner, John Duncan, and Tom Badgett. To realize our loss one needs only to read through the back issues of THE SIGNET. Along with P. B., the silent guiding hand of the chapter since 1941, these men set enviable records. Exemplary of these was the record of Brother Monty Graham, who although pledged in June 1947 managed to attain and hold down most adequately the office of chapter secretary for two out of his three quarters as an active. Certainly, these men were all mainstays here at Xi Deuteron.

And now as the end of the summer

quarter approaches we face the loss of still three more of our seniors. We are afraid Xi Deuteron will have to look a long time to replace the keenly balanced wit and aggressiveness of the first of these, Brother John D. Bohanon. "Rogeo" was the boy who brightened up the house when the going got rough while on the side he was acting as pledge captain and turning out the most efficient job as Fraternity Relations Board representative that Phi Sig could hope for. Both these positions he occupied for the 1947-48 academic year and the equality of that year's pledge class, which will be seen in their future accomplishments as actives, is almost entirely his doing. Not content to be merely a member, "Rogeo" also acted as vice-president of the F.R.B. for the last year and in that key position did much to further Phi Sigma Kappa status there. In addition to these activities he managed to make the honor roll his freshman and senior years — as he puts it; starting and ending like the swing of a pendulum — and also acted as chairman for the formation of a fraternity co-op purchasing agency.

With him goes Brother Billy Bew Price, the Greenwood, Mississippi Apollo, who also cut his place in the Phi Sig push to the top, since our return to the U. T. campus in 1946, as president in the fall of 1947 after having been social chairman in the preceding year. In both these capacities "Boo" turned out fine work as well as taking his just part in furthering us socially and scholastically.

Then there is "Wamp" — your correspondent. He is more formally Brother John Philip Wampler — the man who forgot the hamburger. "Wamp" is perhaps the only Phi Sig to be "elected" vice-president scarcely five minutes after his initiation (there were two of us then). He subsequently held that office and that of F.R.B. representative three quarters during the war. He has served since his return in 1946 as: rush chairman

one year and co-chairman one year; social chairman in part of '46 and '48; assistant F.R.B. representative for one quarter each in '46 and '48; publicity man and SIGNET correspondent for three quarters of '48; circulation manager of the *Orange and White*, the student newspaper, '47 and '48; and circulation co-manager of the *Tennessean*, another campus publication during the same period. He is inwardly mighty proud of what little he did attain both for himself and Phi Sigma Kappa — but probably proudest of the fact that through some mishap at the polls he was picked for the Best Senior award of this year. He is, however, the only one of the trio we won't have much trouble replacing as the remaining Phi Sigs are ready to go with the approach of the fall rush season.

As a postscript, we are mighty glad to see our convention delegates return and want to express the hope that the southern delegates to the "get-together" managed to meet some of their Yankee brothers on equal footing and that the Tennesseans in particular didn't forget to wear shoes to the Moonlight Dance. Before we get away Brother Smith solemnly declares that he would be engaged to the national Moonlight girl right now if it had not been for Brother Whiteside. It seems that every time Smith got the words of proposal in his mouth Whiteside would confuse his progress by appearing out of nowhere — from behind the sofa, out of the phone booth, the bar, the elevator, and the cocktail lounge. By the way, Whiteside says the same thing. They brought back several pictures but we were unable to find more than one that Brother Smith didn't manage of "mug up." So in expressing their thanks for the excellent hospitality extended them by Lambda, Epsilon Triton, and Eta, while they were at those respective chapters, we bring our SIGNET article writing days to a close with a

hearty "Hail, The Ever Growing Throng."

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### PI TRITON

#### Eastern Washington College

Pi Triton Chapter, the newest addition to the Phi Sig circle, is really going full blast as fall quarter rolls under way. Unlike most fraternity chapters Pi Triton's brothers are not returning from summer vacation to renew fraternity activities but are rather continuing the work done by the chapter during the summer school session. Pi Triton since its installation June 21 has remained active all summer and has thus done considerable work toward the building of a strong chapter here at Savagville.

At the time of the chapter's installation there was no place that the brothers could call their own but now after much hard but fruitful work a chapter lodge has been secured. Arrangements have been made to take over a fine lodge just four blocks off campus. The lodge building was formerly a possession of the Odd Fellows Lodge, and is now to be leased to the chapter. There are fine kitchen facilities, a dining room, study room, a first class chapter room, and the best of dance floors, and last but not least a game room complete with a billiard table, ping-pong table, and piano. The addition of this lodge to the chapter's facilities is a strong factor in rapidly growing spirit and strength of the chapter.

During the summer months the brothers from Eastern Washington's oldest fraternity were far from inactive, with two first-class lake stags, a picnic, which included food and women, a house party, and several informal get-togethers. A luncheon for our honorary brothers also served as a strong stimulant to insure their full cooperation and interest. Pi Triton was well represented at the National Convention in August with both a delegate and chapter adviser present.

During the summer months a letter was sent to each chapter of the national fraternity for the purpose of gleanings together all possible information concerning methods of rushing, pledging, financing, and chapter administration. Letters from the chapters are now pouring in with a wealth of information. This is really appreciated by the baby brothers of Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity.

With fall quarter just under way big things are already going on within the chapter. A series of paid advertisements in the college paper, serving any social or service cause on campus, are showing the interest of the chapter in school affairs; free song sheets passed out by brothers at football games are a demonstration of this school spirit. Brother Bill McMackin, alias Billy the kid, has been appointed College Yell King and chairman of the college rally committee. Brother Harold Johnson has been appointed to the freshman orientation committee, Brother Rainier is a candidate for class president along with already being chapter president. With his Don Juan-way with the women, he is sure of a solid female vote. Brother Pullen has been elected to Alpha Phi Omega Service Club, Brother Jay Long is candidate for Student Senate, while Brother Ed Johnson is quite the campus politician, what with his new party and all. Brother Bob Johnson is debate team captain, president of the Canterbury Club, and chairman of Young Republican Club, along with being chapter secretary. Among other activities featuring Phi Sigs at Eastern Washington College, is the formation of an Interfraternity Council with Brother Rainier as chairman. Also high on the list of Pi Triton's achievements is the formation of a wives and mother's club, and now the beginnings of the reactivation of the Spokane Alumni Club, long inactive but now being sparked to life by several of our honorary members. Talk is going

about now of sponsoring a scholarship for some student of small financial means. Yes sir, Phi Sigs are really rolling.

Pledging is going well with the addition of over ten pledges when this article went to print. Among these new victims, there is a talented campus politician and philosopher, Glenn Schillings; lover-boy Wolffe (he has three girls going with him already); handsome and suave Mark Justice, Eastern's most popular undergrad; and a man long destined to remain in our midst, Gordon Stevens; and six other normal fellows who would be a real addition to any Phi Sig circle.

Our chapter adviser is now doing some work here at college and is able to always be around to help out; Brother Fred has been having us to dinner one at a time recently and we are really getting to know him well.

Well, with a first-class political machine, a group of Romeos, and a bunch of first-class men, big social plans are underway for this fall. See you in the next SIGNET.

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### XI TRITON San Jose State College

With the spring quarter finished and all the brothers recuperating from that last final, we can all look back on one of our most successful and active quarters since our existence.

The activities were of course highly lighted by our induction into Phi Sigma Kappa — May 23, 1948, if you want the date. I have never seen anything go as smoothly as that induction. With only three weeks to prepare for it all the brothers of Tri Gamma (as we were called then) pitched in and really worked, but we were all well-rewarded when Saturday and Sunday rolled around with the induction and banquet; two days, I believe, none of will ever forget.

I don't want to get carried away with the program and give a complete play-

by-play description of the events for that would be infringing upon the rights of Charles Babcock (Omega Chapter). He is writing the article for THE SIGNET, and I might add he can do a much better job than I.

The activities started off this quarter with what was to be a smoker at Alum Rock Park. There were beer, cokes,



Brother Felice, Mason, Gifford, Wilkinson, Filmore, Severo, Adviser William James, and Queiser.

potato chips and pretzels; and a large fire burning in the fireplace. Then as a surprise to our pledges (and some of our members) Dr. Palm, Director of Region V, and some of the members of Omega Chapter came down to give us a sales talk on Phi Sigma Kappa; but I might add that I don't think any of us needed to be sold Phi Sig. From that day to our induction we were busy with petitions, etc.

Our pledge group for last quarter was the largest we have ever taken in. They were Luke Angelich, Carl Baker, Scott Chestnut, Merle Fagundes, Jack Fourcade, Arnold Steiner, Willis Stone, Joe Thomason, Larold Gire, John Jackson, John Queiser, Fred Severo, William Wardrup and Robert Waring.

With the induction coming up and all the work connected with it we still didn't slow down in our I.F.C. activities. First, there were the baseball games. The exact results have never been published — we should be in fourth place. This was

closely followed by the I.F.C. track meet. We would like to forget those results, but I might add that the cellar position was also shared by another fraternity so we don't feel so bad.

The biggest event of the spring quarter came the week following our induction, that is Spardi Gras. The beginning of the traditional Spardi Gras festivities is not known, but it is a day when classes are excused for the afternoon, everyone dresses up in some sort of a costume just so long as it covers the essentials, and all the organizations on campus put up some type of carnival concession. A good time was had by all as you can see from the pictures.

This was followed by a beach party at Santa Cruz, with the usual beer keg the center of attraction. Thanks go to Brothers Anderson, Gluth and Perry who made the arrangements.

The spring quarter wound up with an I.F.C. dance at Wildwood Park. It was an outdoor dressy affair. The weather was just right for a dance of this kind.

Before closing I should like to mention the brothers who have been active in sports. In basketball and tennis we have James Cruz; Don Schafer, boxing; Willis Stone and Pat Felice, wrestling.

Also before closing, Xi Triton came in second in scholastic standing among the ten fraternities in the I.F.C.

The brothers of Xi Triton are now looking forward to an even more active autumn quarter.

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### ZETA TRITON

Montana State College

By DONALD J. HARRIS

By train, automobile, bus, and other less reliable means of transportation came the brothers back to Zeta Triton. All of the undergraduate brothers are back in the fold with the exception of Joe Henske who plans to return for the winter quarter. Numbered among the

returnees is John (Beef) Webster, officer of Fang Chapter, Intercollegiate Knights, who has returned from Boston to act once again as chief politico and capable expounder of notable Phi Sig accomplishments.

Jack Payne and his accordion are with us once more; it is reputed that Dale Moore is struggling to master the instrument but what with our two kittens at large it is at times difficult to accurately place the blame for the disturbing and unusual noises which frequently penetrate to the far corners of the house. Dale also sings. Brother Dick Lyman spent the summer surveying on the Blackfoot Indian Reservation and is back at the books once more in the tradition of his straight-A record. No one has been able to definitely determine what Dick could have been surveying on an Indian reservation but anyway he spent the summer there.

Josephine, Hugh Mellen's automobile, having been blessed with a new motor is back at her old task of transporting late-risers to their 8 o'clock classes. Josephine served faithfully last winter as grocery wagon even in our sub-zero weather when more notable and modern vehicles succumbed to the severe cold. Our transportation problem in general has greatly improved due to the number of cars acquired by the brothers during the summer.

Ted Paul and Vic Smith are with us once more. Ted is completing his work towards a degree and Vic is taking post-graduate work. Dan Harris gained valuable experience this summer working as an engineer's aide on the Hungry Horse Dam project. Brother Paul Rhodes met Brother Joe Henske's sister while en route to the convention; they are now happily married and Paul is applying himself to his studies with unusual vigor.

Activity was the rule this fall as everyone pitched in to finish cleaning and prepare the house for rush week. The house

now shines nobly in a bright new coat of paint ably applied by Brothers John Baskett, Merle Kovatch, Don Bauer and Richard Zugliani. All of the study rooms have been painted or papered and generally spruced up. Sleeping rooms were also improved and more beds provided; Don Harris even sacrificed his cherished innerspring mattress.

A very successful rush week was put over with the generous help of undergraduates and alumni alike. A vote of thanks and the sincere gratitude of Zeta Triton is due Chapter Adviser Pierce Patterson for his invaluable assistance previous to and during rush week. The chapter entertained capacity groups of rushees every date night with new and varied types of entertainment. A bowery night which recaptured the flavor of old Third Street near New York's Brooklyn Bridge was acclaimed by all as one of the most successful events ever held during a Montana State rush week. George Baxter, Mayor Lowe of Bozeman, and Pierce Patterson spoke to various groups of rushees concerning Phi Sigma Kappa and fraternity life in general. Steak dinners were served evening guests and a magician entertained at luncheons. Preference night featured a swimming party at the luxurious Bozeman Hot Springs. The pledge class now numbers 18 men. They are: Merlin Mathews, Garry Hall, Bill Moore, Dick Holt, Bill Schowe, Dale Barnett, John Lansberry, Frank Lansberry, Harold Draper, Charles Linthicum, Sam Harris, George Byrd, Donald Eastman, Ronald Flinn, Harold Genger, Burtis Meyer, Gerald Mosher, and John Philip Paul.

Merle Kovatch, our newly appointed athletic director, is whipping our football team into shape for the coming intramural games. Zeta Triton is looking forward to a successful season in athletics with many valuable men having been added to our teams.

The entire chapter is planning its an-

nual mass pilgrimage to Butte October 6, where we will view the Bobcat-Grizzly football game, which event was won by the Montana State Bobcats last year. Incidentally, we also won the classic grid feud in 1932.

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## DELTA TRITON Purdue University

By ROBERT EVANS

Last May 17th, Delta Triton installed their newly elected officers. They were: president, Roy Swingle; vice-president, William Boden; secretary, Bernard Peterson; treasurer, Loren Miller; inductor, Michael Counenakis; and sentinel, Richard Bonham. We are sure that these officers will do their utmost to improve our chapter.

On June 4th the pledges held their annual pledge dance. This year it was labeled "The Buccaneers' Brawl." Everyone came to the dance dressed as pirates and many unusual and original costumes were worn. Saber letter openers were given to the girls as favors. In all it proved to be one of the most successful pledge dances held here at Delta Triton.

Our house was kept open for 15 of the brothers who were brave enough to face summer school. One of the brothers who returned last summer was Dick Reed who is now working on his master's degree in chemical engineering. Between work and studies, these men had a record dance in our combination ballroom and dining room. It was a great success with everyone in the house showing up with his queen for the evening.

Quite a few of our boys are tying that old matrimonial knot. Harold McKee, Don McVey, Jack Haller, and Ed Karpick, all alumni, exchanged vows with Mildred Mitchell, Arnett McKenzie, Ruby Richardson, and Bebe Holden, respectively. In the active chapter Joe Longa, Horace Hayes, and Lawrence Busby all spliced with Jean O'leary,



Virginia Barber, and Phyllis Hite, respectively. It looks like we should have a new generation of Phi Sigs before long.

But enough of the past. The present and future holds much in store for our chapter here at Purdue. At the present we are preparing for Homecoming, which falls on October 9th.

We have already appointed a committee to design our Homecoming sign, and Sam Gibson, Bob Berg, Dick Motsinger, and Bob Evans, members of the committee, are doing their best to develop a sign that will bring the trophy to our house this year. Bernhard Peterson is in charge of inviting the alums to our Homecoming, which should be the best we've had in many a year.

While all of our social affairs were under way we managed to find time to re-decorate the interior of the house. Everyone pitched in and gave Allen Redmond, the new house manager, a helping hand with the work.

The "King" is still in there pitching. Jack Halladay (ex-Phi Mu Dream Man) pinned Anita Papus, a Delta Gamma. Everyone got cigars!

It would be well to mention that President Roy Swingle and Brother Dick McHenry were present at the national convention last summer. Both men reported that they were shown a very good time and that much was accomplished up in Boston last summer.

Sports haven't been neglected here at Delta Triton either. Our sports manager, Richard Bonham has canvassed the whole house and every man has signed up for at least one sport. Dick "Slamming Sammy" Motsinger and Al Redmond should go places in the interfraternity golf tournament which is coming up pretty soon. Our softball team, which is well rounded, boasts several good men. Catcher Sam Gibson and the Bonham twins, Paul and Richard, always get their share of the hits along with Frank Goff, our first base-

man. Our pitching staff, which is composed of Dave (Fireball) Boliker, "Ding" Swingle, and Bill Wright, is just short of sensational. Now all we have to do is win some games.

Brothers Gilbert Betulius and Bernhard Peterson are starting their second year with the Purdue Card Section, which performs at all of the home football games.

One of the most important events taking place at the moment is our rushing program. Gil Betulius is our rush chairman; he is aided by Bill Boden. To date we have pledged four new men: Howard Simpson, a member of the Purdue Band, Gene Mach, who is out for football, Joseph Bartae, and Richard Thorton. This increases our pledge class to 13 men. Brother Dick Huffman, the new pledge master is in charge of these men.

That's all from Delta Triton for now. See you at the Rosebowl!

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### OMEGA

University of California

By JOHNNY TOELLNER

*Golden Gate Roomers*

The last semester smiled benevolently on our little group. Great strides have been taken in all directions. This does not mean that we don't know where we are going. Marked advancement is to be seen in many lines.

In intramural sports we haven't brought home any trophies of late. A committee was formed to find the reason. The conclusions were that we were depending on native ability and haven't pledged any natives of late. We are going to try practicing to see if that will help. For results watch this column!

This past semester Brother Don O'Malley has been in charge of an organization on campus known as Orientations Council. This council coordinates many campus activities, and has con-

trol of six to eight hundred people. The group is devoted to the guidance of —, or rather its major purpose is to uphold the —. Well at any rate Don was in charge of it. In June Brother O'Malley completed his sentence and joined the great army of unemployed. To fill his shoes he appointed Pledge Harl Bennett, who is doing a fine job slopping around with a pair of oversize loafers. (Shoes, not brothers.) On the subject of campus affairs the card stunts for the California rooting section are to be designed by four of the brothers, namely: Al Mayne, Dale Nyberg, Ken Machado and Joe Atkinson. Dave Peterson is in charge of a committee whose purpose it is to schedule university meetings, while Warren Schoonover is an official in the Big "C" Guard.

In the field of recognition through sports we were thwarted by several unforeseen events. Brother Clint King turned out for the pole vault in track. In his haste to break the world record on his first jump, Brother King stepped on the edge of the track and sprained his ankle. Next year, Clint! Brother Dick (Pitch to me) Rowe played a season of J. V. Baseball, while Brother Joe Atkinson missed the Olympic boat in crew by a small margin. Howard Mackey and Ken Machado are keeping our Rose Bowl football team in shoestrings by acting as managers.

The entire crew is still in a dither over our very successful social season. Even after the entire summer has passed one still hears many "Say, do you remember that last dance"-statements floating around in random conversations. The semester included many exchange dinners, exchange picnics, date luncheons, fathers' nights, mothers' clubs' buffets and teas, record dances, costume parties and was topped off with our annual "49'er" costume ball and spring formal.

In the inter-chapter events, members of Omega had the honor of participating in

the induction of both Xi Triton at San Jose State College and Omicron Triton at the University of California at Davis. At San Jose Chuck Babcock and Ralph Reichhold took places on the induction team; while at Davis, Chuck Babcock and Johnny Toellner were members of the cast. At both a goodly representation of members and pledges were present. Another memorable event was the exchange beer-bust and softball contest with the Nu Deuteron brothers. The visiting team offered Doug (Masked Marvel) Crawford on the mound displaying a well-oiled pitch, while the home team displayed Keith (Sam) Davis who perched on the rubber like Admiral Nelson on the bridge and, for some unknown reason, kept referring to the guano industry. After a very spirited game Nu Deuteron emerged the victor.

The old abode is undergoing a major piece of face lifting and torso conditioning. The area behind the house is to be paved to make room for a volleyball and basketball court, and to double as parking area for alums at football games. A barbecue pit and terrace are being constructed, and our former waste basement space is being turned into a recreation room.

The latest election returns are as follows: president, Cal Kokila; vice-president, Joe Atkinson; secretary, Warren Schoonover; treasurer, Bob Hemenway; sentinel, Dale Nuberg; inductor, Dave Peterson.

An interesting note is the ad seen recently under the "Personals" column: to-wit, Bill Zimmerman, all is forgiven, please come home, the kids need you. (signed) Omega. When Bill first came around we all bowed stiffly at the waist and pulled out his chair at the dinner table, but after three months in residence we acted differently when we would come home and find his wet laundry hanging in the entrance hall.

The seven members that attended the national convention came back bubbling

over with tales of the stupendous time that was had by all while sampling Boston hospitality. The trip will not be forgotten by any of them, especially by Brothers Smith, Machado and Atkinson who ran out of cash while in Boston and had to send out pleas in all directions in order to get back in time for school. All were in accord that Ruth Sawyer was one wonderful gal and that a better choice couldn't have been made to represent Phi Sigma Kappa as their Moonlight Girl.

At the writing of this rushing is going on at full swing and everyone is remarking at the wonderful selection of fellows that are coming through. The choice is hard as to whom to extend bids. In the next issue the final list of additions with photographs will appear.

From the general trend of this article one would think that ours is a life of nought but gay frivolities. Such is not the case. The finger points with pride to the name of Phi Sigma Kappa occupying the 13th slot on the scholarship list out of a field of 47. Special honors go to last semester's president, Chuck (Boopsie) Babcock, who splattered himself and Omega with glory by being initiated into Phi Beta Kappa. It's hard for us to figure out where Chuck ever found time to obtain his scholastic average and still carry on his numerous activities including a "bang-up" job as house president. We are doubly fortunate that Chuck will be around for a few more years until he completes his doctor's degree.

Initiation has passed and we were glad to welcome into the fold five new brothers. This group was made up of Harl Bennett, Ed Foster, Jack Tearnan, Bob Couse, and our new honorary member, Howard Stroupe. Formal initiation took place on Sunday, September 26, and was followed by the initiation banquet which was admitted to be one of the finest we have ever seen. At the banquet we were honored by the presence of Brother

Bill Wood, formerly chancellor of the Court of Honor of Phi Sigma Kappa.

As for the future, our crystal ball runneth over. Dave Peterson, our new social chairman, has a most interesting agenda of wine, women, and song in store, while our intramural athletic teams are whipping themselves into shape. Larry Moore, the new study chairman is making sure that we allot plenty of time to the books to keep that scholarship rating up there where it belongs. All in all it looks like a very rosy year ahead for Omega!

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### IOTA TRITON

University of Connecticut

By RICHARD A. BAUERFELD

Iota Triton, chapter at the University of Connecticut, sprouted from the main stem of Phi Sigma Kappa eighteen months ago. We are pleased to announce that our immaturity has not hampered our progress during the 1947-48 academic year.

This fall we have taken a large stride as an up and coming chapter. Our most popular desire, to occupy a house, has been fulfilled. The large white dwelling is located on the summit of the highest point on campus. It is of wooden construction, three stories high and contains every necessity of a properly functioning chapter.

Due to our increase in size, a fraternity house was necessary to compact our group. Our initiates have increased 116 per cent during the previously mentioned academic year, and an effort is now being made to promote a larger initiation this term.

Rushing is now in full swing. The first in a series of rushing activities will be a get-acquainted-party on October 1. A film will be shown and other entertainment will be provided. Also included in this schedule will be a house-warming dance. The rushing activities will terminate with pledging on October 22.

Our first formal meeting was held on September 28. The high light of the evening was the installation of: Charles H. Evens, president; Richard W. Payne, vice-president; Richard A. Kenyon, secretary; Charles R. Weigert, treasurer; Richard A. Bauerfeld, sentinel; and Robert S. Payne, inductor. Regional Director Brother Don Downing and a group of three brothers, headed by President James Adams of Epsilon Deuteron were present.

Until our next report, this is Iota Triton signing off with high hopes of a successful year for all.

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### PHI

#### Swarthmore College

By BILL MOORE

It did not take long for the brothers of Phi Chapter to get back in the swing of college life this fall. Since the return of the brothers the chapter has been very active though somewhat under complimented. At the present there are 30 brothers and 2 pledges.

The fraternity is missing a lot of "old faces" this year since many active brothers of last spring have transferred, graduated, or left for other reasons. Brother Bill Webster transferred to M.I.T., Bob Simpson to the University of Tennessee, Gene Christian to Drew University, Ed Dunning and Jordy Jack to the University of Virginia, Al Meltzer to Carnegie Tech, Bob Kerdasha to the University of North Carolina, and John McCutcheon to Kenyon College. A couple of brothers also graduated last June, and the chapter is without the companionship of Bill Ford and Howard Harris, both former chapter presidents. Brothers Andy Weil, Chuck Tompson and Pledge Brother Rich Raymond have left the fold.

Undaunted and under the leadership of President Hank Temple the fraternity looks forward to a big year on campus.

All the brothers are active in college functions as well as fraternity functions. Fred Trescott, former freshman class president, is now senior editor of the college press. Brother Carl Mueller is playing a fast game of soccer on the varsity eleven. Jack Lawrence is running a long race for the varsity cross country team. Brother Ed Burroughs is a member of the executive council of the Engineer's Club. Brothers Dick Walkling and Bill Moore are treasurer and chairman, respectively, of the A.I.E.E.

Active within the chapter is Social Chairman Bob Colyer, who has held this position unofficially for several years. Electrician and retailer Bill Kane has kept the electrons busy in the lodge and is now procuring a television set for the chapter. Congenial Bill Tietz, rush chairman, has gotten a good start on a busy year. Brother Toodey Baker is still one of the boys though just recently married. Bill Taylor, southern gentleman, has a busy year before him as chairman of the house committee and interfraternity council representative. The new brothers Dave Hunt, Bill Van Stone, Bob Myers, Jerry Moeller, Dick Mills, Bob McBride, Al Matthias, and Ethan Deindard are giving the fraternity a boost.

The most common social activity is the T.P. (table party), an old fraternity tradition here on campus. When first originated students came down to the lodge and played cards, but it has now developed into informal dances and parties, and fraternity bridge is restricted to Sunday afternoons.

In spite of the loss of many brothers the remaining brothers of the Phi chapter are certain that the college year will be a successful one for the fraternity.

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**Raymond W. Ketchledge** writes that his new address is 85-32 143 Street, Jamaica 2, New York, and that he is still at the Bell Labs.

## PI

## Franklin and Marshall College

By PETE REBMANN

This past summer's vacation was high lighted by the marriages of five brothers and the announcement of the elopement of another. Prexy Ed Potteiger was married to Nancy Lacey of Harrisburg on September 4th, following a party given him at the house by the brothers. At that time the brotherhood presented him with two silver vegetable dishes and a compote dish as wedding presents. June saw the marriages of three other brothers: Secretary Ed Lautenschlager married Audrey Warner of Tribes Hill, N.Y.; Bill Caldwell, Marion Hughes of San Diego, Calif.; and John Fink, Beverly Kime of Rome, N.Y. Holding his reception at the house, Brother Dick Helm married Betty Rice of Manheim, Pa., on August 21. Just as we thought that our list was complete, we learned that Brother Bob Thompson had been married in secret to Marjorie Snow of Harrisburg on the 31st of March in Baltimore, Md.

This date nearly coincided with the wedding date of Brother Bill Barr and Mary Jo Colon of Lancaster, Pa.

Brother George Abel became the proud pappy of Linda Abel during September. Linda weighed eight pounds at birth, and we hope that she will some day become a winning Moonlight Girl candidate.

In speaking of the "Moonlight Girl," Brother Carl Gehron, our representative to the Phi Sig convention this summer, gave his report in the last brothers' meeting, in which he gave his wholehearted approval of Miss Sawyer. We would like to add at this point that Carl has been elected president of the Interfraternity Council for this semester at F. and M.

The never-ceasing work of repair started once again early this semester when the house committee and all other men able to swing a paint brush joined in to redecorate our kitchen. Since Brother Fink almost single-handed painted the dining room last year and the alumni



NEW BROTHERS OF PI CHAPTER

Left to right: R. Baker, R. Savage, T. Bailey, R. Moriyama, G. Bohlin, M. Holland, R. Noll, L. Harnish, K. Poorbaugh, W. Hess, J. Hogg, D. Pollock, J. Miller, P. Pollock, and J. West. J. Strickland and D. Fox are missing from the picture.

had the other rooms on the first floor painted and papered, the entire first floor is now in top condition. Just recently, after having borrowed sledge hammers and shovels from Brother John Mellingner, a local contractor and president of our alumni association, we smashed our way through our front pavement and porch steps. This was necessitated by the fact that last winter's weather wreaked havoc with our cement work. Brother Mellingner arranged for the concrete to be repoured when we had finished our task of deconstruction. Plans are under way to redecorate the "Marshall" room, our recreation room, by paneling the ceiling and painting the walls, which will include several murals from the hand of Pledge Bill Woomer.

Again this year formal rushing has been delayed until the second semester. The college administration initiated this ruling last year in hopes that the freshmen would know more about the campus fraternities before rushing began. However, they found that under the conditions they presented, which included having no freshmen at social functions, the freshmen knew little more than they had in previous years. This year the administration has permitted informal rushing to be carried on the first semester, which includes everything but actually pledging prospective men. This practice, while it may prove expensive, will undoubtedly give us a chance to select some wonderful men from the record class of 350.

We can already see the intramural football trophy on our mantel, along with the other two from last year and the year before. We have good reason to be so optimistic, since there are six of last year's players returning along with many formidable former pledges. Those brothers returning are: George Abel, Swift Lockard, Jim Ring, George Rutter, Jim Humphreville, and Earl Kauffmann. Last year's team defeated the intramural

winners of Dickinson College, Phi Kappa Psi.

Last week end marked the college's first football game for the season. The game was at home with Lehigh University and almost a dozen brothers from Nu Chapter arrived to witness the Brown and White's defeat by the Blue and White. There was a football dance after the game and many of our visitors attended. Everyone enjoyed a good time.

Brother Meredith (Abe) Ashby sparked the team on to victory. Besides being an outstanding defensive fullback, his blocking and line plunging put us ahead as he made the winning touchdown. His record last year was an average of 6.5 yards for every try and we feel sure that he will better it this year. With pride, we present "Abe" Ashby for inclusion in the All-Phi-Sigma-Kappa football team for 1948.

Others giving distinction to the house are Brothers George Rutter, cross country, and Tom Campbell, soccer. Also, elected to the senior honorary society, the Blue Key, were Ed Brubaker, Carl Gehron, Jim Stoner, and Ed Potteiger.

The social calendar is already composed and lists football dances, stag parties, Homecoming, and the annual Christmas formal. Homecoming will be held October 23 when the diplomats will meet Albright College. The Phi Sigs will once again try to capture the cup for best decorations as we did in 1946. The chapter publication, the "Pi Crust," will soon be underway and will be sent out to alumni reminding them that we are always happy to see them back, especially for Homecoming.

A new tradition was initiated at Pi Chapter last semester when each new brother was presented with a red carnation by his grandfather. The occasion was the spring formal, held on the 7th of May. On May 4th, 17 new brothers were inducted. One of this group, Jim Hogg, received his West Point appoint-

ment and is now in a preparatory school in anticipation of taking entrance examinations in March of 1949.

Over the summer, Brothers Jim Stoner, Lloyd Harnish, Earl Herr, and Tom Bailey put 11,500 miles on a 1935 Plymouth while taking a gypsy tour of the country. They took several hundred color slides with which the brotherhood is expecting to be entertained. Bob Moriyama, a new brother, lived at the Kappa chapter house this summer while attending Penn State.

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## MU

### University of Pennsylvania

By BOB GIGLIOTTI & FRANK GUMPERT

The Mu men of Phi Sig responded to the call of our new steward, Jim Rudy and assembled one week before the beginning of the new semester to give the house a needed face lifting. Kenny Stitz revived the whole house, and put in replacement fixtures. In the process Brother Stitz managed to blow out 27 fuses. We all pitched in to paint the third and fourth floors, so everything now is shiny. Bring on those pledges!

Believing implicitly in the old cliché about all work and no play, the brothers have been getting out there to do or die for "Ole Mu." Brother "Uncle" Frank Gumpert, a golfer of no mean repute, fired himself a 222-yard hole-in-one on the 18th hole of a nearby course. National manufacturers are showering him with gifts so each brother gets his monthly ration of hair tonic, "Breakfast of Champions," and "Superman" comics. Meanwhile, the trophy shelf sags lower with another golf cup added to the growing collection.

Mu has risen to one of the top spots in I.F. athletics. Brother Tom Mangan passed the Mu six into the final pay-off with the Betas, where, without the services of our star center, Art Smith, we lost 12 to 6.

Brother "Ern" Behr carried the bowl-

ing team into the playoffs for the trophy only to have the faculty sabotage his efforts by scheduling exams during the



### BETS DOWN

Left to right: Brothers Baxter Cock and Molden of Mu play for high stakes (counterfeit, of course) at the Monte Carlo party.

crucial week. All was not wasted effort for the year, however, as Brother John Krochka pitched the softball team to a clean sweep victory to take the I.F. softball trophy. He was aided by a timely 11th-inning home run in the final game by Brother Behr who was quoted



### LET'S DANCE

Left to right: Brother Ernie Kardas and his date; Brother and Mrs. Dick Molden; and Brother Frank Gumpert and his date take a few turns around the dance floor at one of Mu's parties.

before stepping up to the plate with, "My supper is on the table, this has got to cease."

As for varsity berths, Brothers Mangan, Schwarty, and Young will represent Mu on Penn teams this year. Brother Young

will play soccer, Brother Schwarty is bidding for a basketball berth, while Brother Mangan will take up his duties once again in baseball.

On the social front Mu again rates with the top fraternities. Brother "Charlie" Seigfried, our new social chairman, is handling his new duties well. Last season we had many gay parties, the Monte Carlo party, the Apache party, and others only Brother Seigfried could dream up. This year he has newer and more sensational ideas going which include our customary punch parties after the football games.

A Mu election of officers last year included: president, Tom Mangan; vice-president, Art Smith; secretary, Jim Rudy; and treasurer, Burke Cock.

The brothers of Mu were pleased at the number of visiting brothers from Tau who stopped in to see the house after the Penn-Dartmouth game. Visiting brothers are always welcome.

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### RHO DEUTERON Gettysburg College

By TED LINDQUIST, Jr.

In the midst of all the turmoil of Gettysburg College's fall rushing season an ominous telegram arrived at Rho Deuteron, quote: "SIGNET deadline October sixth . . ." Unquote! One warning is enough, so here is what is news at Rho Deuteron.

Gettysburg College's enrollment climbed to another all-time high again this fall, this time hitting a peak of 1261. Of this total 369 are new students on campus; so the brothers, under the able leadership of the rushing chairman, Brother Bill Sperry, looked the field over — with an especial eye for scholarship — and, under Gettysburg's delayed rushing system, brought home 16 pledges on September 27 for Phi Sigma Kappa.

However, Brothers Bob Hall, Ted Lindquist, Bill Rock, Dick Sipes, and

Jim Smith will long remember a later date, October 1. On that date these five Pennsylvanians (no affiliation with Fred Waring) were initiated by Rho Deuteron into Phi Sigma Kappa's brotherhood.

Rho Deuteron feels highly honored by the recent appointment from its alumni of the Rev. Dr. Stewart H. Rudisill, '12, as National Chaplain, and of Brother William N. Zimmerman, '47, as Traveling Field Secretary. The chapter also takes pride in the election of Brother Carl Chronister, '35, to the position of Regional Director of Region II.

On September 21 Brother Sam Sargeant, Upsilon (Brown) '25, Balfour representative at the national convention, presented the chapter with a handsome, grey, suede-covered guest register, fronted with a bronze replica of our Phi Sigma Kappa emblem, in recognition of the fine work of the chapter's quartet at the convention. The brothers are very grateful to Brother Sargeant for this splendid gift.

The Rev. E. Prakasan, Guntur, India, president of the Lutheran Church in India, was the first signer of the new register. Rho Deuteron was privileged to entertain Rev. Prakasan at luncheon on September 22.

In the realm of new endeavor, Brother Al Rudisill began the formation this fall of a chapter glee club. Brother Rudisill has excellent material for the nucleus of this group in the seven brothers and pledges who make up one-third of the male section of the Gettysburg College a capella choir.

Looking back for a moment to last May, another of our new endeavors was the entertaining of all the senior girls of the campus at a "farewell" buffet supper here at the house. The evening was so well enjoyed by the girls — and the brothers too — that the brothers now plan to give this function a permanent spot on our annual social calendar.

Six times this summer the wedding



bells rang out for active Rho Deuterons and alumni. In May Dr. John Glenn, head of Gettysburg's Latin department, gave his daughter, Doris, sister of Brother Jack Glen, Nu (Lehigh) '46, to Brother Julius (Caesar) Tondat. May also found Brother Sharpless Paxon, '47, going up the aisle with nurse Mary Lou Kahl. Brother Philip Lightner '49, and his bride, Phyllis Thompson, North Carolina schoolteacher, chose traditional June for their month, while July was selected by Brother Howard Hippensteel and Francis Baum, Palmyra, Pennsylvania schoolteacher, for their marital vows. Brother Dick Ehrhart, '45, and Miriam McCarny, Gettysburg '48, Delta Gamma, were wed in September. Following their honeymoon, the Rev. and Mrs. McCarny settled down to the duties of their first pastorate, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Lutherville, Maryland. Lastly, the Rev. Dr. Gould Wickey, Washington, D.C., performed the September nuptials for his daughter Charlotte, Gettysburg '48, Delta Gamma, and Brother Erle (Erk) Diehl, '47.

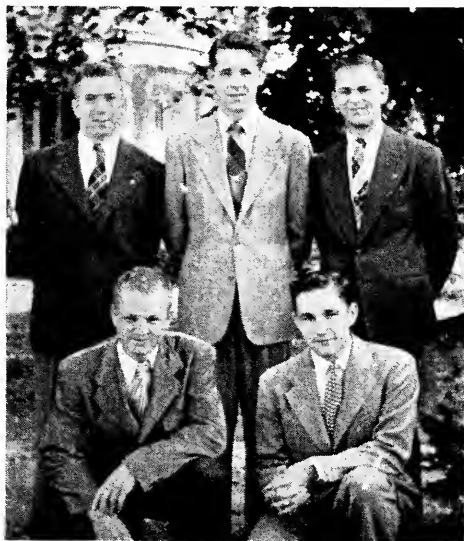
Intramural football is now in the air at Gettysburg, but Rho Deuteron eyes are fixed on Brother Dwight Speaker's brilliant halfback performances on the varsity football team. In his first varsity appearance, against Drexel Institute on September 25, Brother Speaker scored two of Gettysburg's four touchdowns.

Officers of the chapter for the fall term are: president, Frederick Clemens; vice-president, Martin Cernek; secretary, John N. Miller; treasurer, Alvin Rudisill; sentinel, Wade Ortel; inductor, Raymond Lewis. Howard Weaner and Ed Holland are bearing the burdens of steward and house manager respectively.

Even with all that has been said before, Rho Deuteron has nevertheless literally "gone to the dogs" — or vice versa. This fall Brother "Soaps" Unger arrived on campus toting a clumsy young Dalmatian puppy. "Deffy" appears to have

only one serious contender for his affection, and that is President Clemens's gleaming, new '48 maroon Hudson.

And now for the last: the 14 of the



RHO DEUTERON'S NEW BROTHERS

Front row, left to right: Richard Sipes and James Smith. Back row, left to right: William Rock, Robert Hall, and Theodore Lindquist, Jr.

brothers, including both the initiation team and quartet, who had the privilege of attending the national convention in Boston this summer are still talking about the amazing spirit evidenced there. In fact, the inspiration the brothers received there has so grasped our house that we all are heartened by the strong new unity and harmony now pervading the spirit of our chapter. Consequently, the brothers are all anticipating a more glorious and successful year ahead for Gettysburg College and for Rho Deuteron Chapter.

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### DELTA

West Virginia University

By LYLE V. ROGERS

Things are really looking up for Delta!

The brothers returned this fall to a newly redecorated and refurnished chapter house. The new furniture for our

living room is along modernistic lines, and is arranged in "conversational groups." A new combination radio-phonograph is now the main attraction of the library. The furniture that was in the living room, instead of being discarded, now graces the library and the bar.

We consider our fall rushing to have been highly successful. Roland (Rock) Reed, '50, was rush chairman and did a splendid job. Two dance parties were held with Brother Gene Caussin's "Aristocrats" furnishing fine music. In addition to the usual lunch and dinner dates, we had two smokers in the house. The spirit at these and other rush parties was excellent.

Preceding our formal rushing, alums and actives throughout the state staged numerous parties for prospective rushees. We were fortunate in having two of the four living founders of Delta Chapter as speakers at a banquet held for rushees from the Clarksburg area. The founding Brothers Gore and White described some of the very interesting history of the foundation of Delta Chapter.

Our rushing efforts were not unrewarded.

We pledged the following men, of whom we are justifiably proud: Bob Michels, Tom McCune, Kenny Davis, Dave McWhorter, Richard Lowther, C. B. Shingleton, Don Seigrest, Roy Schenlerlein, Bob Janes, Scotty Perkins, Bob Arnold, Bob Litten, Jack Garrison, John Haddox, Marlin Douglas, Dick Morris, Joe Vanyo, Tom Foster, Bob Boyd, Jack Plunkett, John Snider, Bill Bell, Gene Wright, Bob Garrett, Bob Bates, Dick Stout, and Byron Keadle.

Delta Chapter is pleased to introduce our new house mother, Mrs. R. P. Lipscombe, from Charleston, W. Va. She has proved to be extremely capable, and we are very pleased to have secured her services. "Mom" Lipscombe has already endeared herself to all of us. We look

forward to the future under her kind help and motherly direction.

The new officers for the fall term are: president, F. F. McIntosh III; vice-president, Jack Feck; secretary, "Luke" Stanley; treasurer, "P. J." Catlett; sentinel, Bob Ferrell; inductor, "Doc" Bond.

The following men were appointed: "Tex" Dusch as house manager, Raymond Hyre as social chairman, Paige Melton as corresponding secretary, Fred Witschey and Kenna Henderson as publicity chairmen, and Jim Riley and Paige Melton as waiters in the dining room.

Along with the other new improvements at Delta we have new cooks, Lawrence and Mary Long. They really turn out food fit for a king.

Brother Paul Bowles is still setting the law school on fire; he received two A's during the summer term. Paul is a Phi Beta Kappa, and a former treasurer of Delta Chapter.

Brother Roy Lester has played some bang-up football in the two home games so far this season. We are expecting great things on the gridiron from Roy this season, which is his last at West Virginia University.

Phi Sigs will once again be well represented in other university sports. Brother Dick Windon, two-year track letterman, will be out there again this year and Brother "Pork" Mendenhall, captain of last year's wrestling squad, is expected to turn in another successful year of varsity wrestling. Brother Jack Feck will again show the skill that has made him a star member of the university golf team for the past three years. This athletic prowess is not confined to members of the active chapter, as the pledge brothers have been making names for themselves. Pledge Brother "Sleepy" Glenn is pulling for a berth on the basketball varsity, and Scotty Perkins, an all-star catch from Kentucky, promises to be a standout player. Pledge Brother Don Seigrist is

shooting for a starting position on the freshman basketball team. In the track world, Pledge Brother Jim Dial, a dash star from Huntington, promises to shine.

Reports reach us that Brother Bud Freese, who plays third base for Johnstown in the Middle Atlantic League, was second in batting averages with a healthy .381. Bud left school last year, when he signed a contract with the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Delta has received news that W. Holt Wooddell, an alumnus of our chapter, has been elected president of the West Virginia University Alumni Association. Brother Wooddell is a member of former Governor Kump's law firm in Elkins, W. Va.

We recently received the sad news of the death of our beloved brother, Dr. Ben Stout. Dr. Ben, as he was affectionately called, had been of invaluable assistance in the progress of our chapter. His sudden death is indeed a blow, and will be mourned by all the alumni and friends of Delta Chapter.

We received a very fine report of the Diamond Jubilee Convention from our delegate, Brother Dave Harmer. His description gave us all a bird's-eye view of the proceedings, and was appreciated by all those who could not be present for the convention itself.

Brother Don Mason reports the following pledges from last semester's pledge class: Bud Paetzold, Bill Sharpe, Bill Keightley, Bob Boyles, Guy Dooley, Paul Cain, Sleepy Glenn, Paul McConnell, Jim Kial, "Shorty" Summers, "Ox" Clutter, and Dick Brown. Tentative plans call for the initiation of this group some time in November.

Brother "Rock" Reed has been appointed pledge master of this semester's pledge class. Officers of this group are: Richard Lowther, president; Bob Arnold, vice-president; Tom McCune, secretary-treasurer; and Dave McWhorter, social chairman.

Both pledge classes were entertained by the actives "Get Acquainted" smoker. Fraternity songs and tall tales provided the entertainment. It seems with every smoker there is a joker—Brother "Spank" Knightstep's antics were enjoyed by all. Brothers Bond and Melton delivered a beautiful rendition of "Good-bye My Coney Island Baby." This is not the first time this song has been sung by these members, but nevertheless was enjoyed.

Brother "Bud" Stone is now recovering from severe head injuries suffered in an automobile crash. We wish Bud a speedy convalescence and hope that he can rejoin us soon.

Having completed a very successful rushing under direction from our new officers and house mother, with great fraternal spirit we look forward to a great year here at Delta.

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### NU DEUTERON Stanford University

By DON PAISLEY

Nu Deuteron pledges returned to the Stanford Phi Sig house the week before registration for fall quarter. During that interval these men, along with a good number of the actives, applied paint, plaster, floor sanders, and plain elbow grease to all of the upstairs study rooms and hallways. The fellows gave this part of the old house the most thorough house cleaning that has been seen around these parts in several years.

Our totally renovated kitchen (now the swankiest and most modern kitchen on campus) was finally completed at the end of the first week of school. After haunting Palo Alto restaurants for over a week, the Phi Sigs were finally able to desert these establishments and once again return to Marie's special brand of Phi Sig cooking. It might be added that this move was made just in time. Some of the pocketbooks were beginning

to wear a bit thin from the unexpected burden of "dining out" for a week and a half.

Kitchen paint was being applied by a small nucleus of untiring brothers as late as 3 A.M. one Sunday morning in order to get things rolling for the first real meal the next morning. Kitchen hashers and a group of helpful brothers spent an uncountable number of hours cleaning the stove and ice box, washing all the kitchen utensils and dishes, and storing all the supplies for the coming quarter. It took a lot of hard work and time to get everything in shipshape in this section of the house, but the job was finally finished in fine style. Pledge Ullman and actives Del Favero and Kane deserve most of the credit for the drive put into all of this kitchen work.

With the news that Dick Moore, who was elected house manager at the end of spring quarter, was not returning to school but going to try his luck at writing, President Gordon Levey called an informal house meeting at which Fred Taylor, our vice-president, was elected to follow in Dick's footsteps. Fred is already knee-deep in the job and has even dropped a few units of study this quarter that he may better devote his time to the chores of a house manager. If anyone can do the job up right, Fred's the boy. He's got the whole house behind him 100 per cent.

Ray Pascoe, elected secretary of our chapter last spring, is also to be found leading football yells at the Stanford games. Holding the position of a Stanford cheer leader is a job "Ole Dad" is more than capable of fulfilling. Ray is a personality guy with everything that it takes. He can't help but inspire the cheering section to even louder and greater throat scratching.

Pledge Norm Miller is back at the Quad office as No. 1 photographer for the Stanford yearbook. If the Quad predominates in candid shots of Phi Sigs this

year, it will be no surprise to anyone around this house.

"Mighty Mouse" Doug Crawford who is our social chairman also headed a committee which purchased 50 new dining room chairs at the beginning of the quarter. After spending days sanding, staining, and polishing the dining room floor, we felt that it was about time we had some decent furniture in the room also. Some new tables and a coat of paint will complete the "new look" in this room in the very near future.

Brother John van Benthem threw a brawl at his home the first week end of this quarter. The party was right up to par with those given by Brother John last year. The van Benthem mansion is quickly becoming the Phi Sig recreation room away from home. (Recreation in a broad term, that is.)

The house remodeling plans, including a new wing, are still on the fire. At the present time we are waiting for the university to give the green light. If they give the signal, construction can be started at any time. We've all got our fingers crossed on this one. A remodeling job is something we've been working towards for over a year now.

With 21 actives and 13 pledges living in the house and 8 active brothers living in the nearby area, we expect to have a closely knit organization this year. We're already out on the prowl for new pledges to fill a few vacancies we have in the house at the present time.

Up to this time most of the pledges have had the edge on the actives in respect to showing the grit and determination in getting things done around the house. Within a short time, however, things will be settling down and we should have everyone in there pitching to make this year a milestone in Stanford Phi Sig history.

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**BETA****Union College***By* DANIEL W. SMYTHE

Back to school, and Beta Chapter is on its way to what promises to be one of its most successful years. The semester began in fine style with a big beer party for some of the up-and-coming freshmen. The purpose was to look over the newcomers, get acquainted, and select good men for the extensive pledge program now being mapped out. Beta looks for a great year, not only in expansion but in its many activities on and off the campus.

Beta takes a great deal of pride in its sensational scholastic rating. At the close of last season, it was announced that this chapter had the highest academic standing of the 18 fraternities on the Union College campus. The over-all average was B+. Our expectations are of the highest in the continuance of this good work.

New officers have been elected to fill the shoes of those who were graduated. Our president now is Robert E. Burner. Vice-president is Sam Eager. The other officers installed are: secretary: Lee De Graff; treasurer: Winthrop Stone; sentinel: John M. Scott; inductor: Harold Burnham.

Trustees of the fraternity were installed at the June 10 alumni banquet. President Burner high lighted the occasion by giving a speech. The trustees elected were: Harry M. Cregier, Herbert A. Armstrong, Joseph Doyle, Joseph D. Allen, Willard F. Prior, and Austin Wyatt.

It will be of interest to many that Fred Wyatt '32 was appointed chairman of the building committee for the War Memorial at Union College. The memorial, an athletic field house, will be in honor of the 76 Union alumni who died in the war. We wish him luck!

Among the many extracurricular activities of the brothers we note these:

Ralph Reed has been elected president of the Christian Assoiation here. Brother Tom Strong is secretary.

John Scott has been appointed a member of the Board of Managers.

Bill Hio and Don Cregier are on the Concordiensis staff this year.

Daniel W. Smythe has won \$500 in prizes, 1st and 2nd prizes in the Idol Literary Contest here at Union.

Winthrop Stone, the tenor soloist of the Glee Club, has been given a weekly program on Radio Station WGY as a member of a choral group.

Don Cregier has been active this past summer on a committee studying the possibility of bringing an ROTC program to the college.

Beta Chapter is definitely shaping up a football team; all the stalwarts are out for practice, working with vim and vigor. The first game did not turn out too well, but the second one will!

Paul Madar is a new transfer student from Xi Chapter. We welcome him heartily.

As we look forward to eventful days, Beta wishes all the chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa success and happiness in the coming year.

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**THETA DEUTERON****Oregon State College***By* ROBERT E. ULLMAN

Fall term — the time of the year when the Phi Sigs here are especially proud to look upon this house. The red brick contrasts beautifully with the autumn brown leaves of our shade trees, the green lawn seems greener than ever before, and overhead the sky is — pouring down its usual amount of rain. But here at Theta Deuteron no rain is dampening our spirits. We have too much to think about and do to let a little thing like water interfere with our plans for the school year.

Rushing took over for the first week of

school and through our doors passed more than one hundred rushees interested in a fraternity's way of life. Cooperation between members and pledges was unsurpassed in helping with this important event, and it payed off in results. The day after rushing period ended there were 18 new wearers of the silver and magenta pledge buttons. Ten of the fellows hailed from our state of Oregon, four claimed California, and four more said Washington. But their location makes no difference for they all are here for one thing in common — to become a better and more useful person. Phi Sigma Kappa is going to help them do just that.

How did we do in grades for spring term? Better than average — 2.5 to be exact. But now the drive is on to raise those grades higher up the GPA ladder. With a whole year to do it in, we may yet be able to head the honor roll list.

Everyone was anxious to hear news about the convention, so this was cause for a special house meeting as called by George Watson, house president. In this meeting our delegate to the national convention, "Senator" Chenoweth, told us of the many and varied things of interest he saw while attending this event. Of especial interest to us was the business accomplished and new ideas exchanged between chapter delegates. The "Senator's" description of the convention happenings only served to increase our desire to be one of the lucky delegates at this national meeting of Phi Sigs.

Lovers department: The summer months didn't seem to slow down several of our brothers. Bob Ullman gave away his pin to an Alpha Gam. But three others brothers, Keith Millhollen, Dale Churchill, and Bob Grey had thoughts more serious. Each took the vows this summer that tied them and their brides together for life. The girls? — all Alpha Gams. Don Miller faced the altar with a Theta while Jim

English reached up to the State of Idaho to select his bride. Two more good brothers, Jack Hartman and Walt Hanney, "bit the dust" during the summer vacation, each being married in Portland. The popular question now seems to be, — can we keep on getting enough new men to take the place of those leaving for married life!

Fall term usually means Theta Deuteron's athletes get a chance to show their ability, and this year is no different than the rest. Our "coaches" here in the house have already gotten their heads together to plan out the strategy to be used in taking the football, basketball, speedball, handball, and swimming championships. Of course we may not have luck in all of these events for competition is very keen among the houses on the campus, but you can bet that the Phi Sigs are going to be right in the midst of the battle with the idea of adding some more laurels to the already growing line of trophies. Besides, says Don (Moneybags) Gordon, house manager, "we've got to get some trophies to pay back that money we had to put into the school trophy fund."

The bookworms in the house are again, as usual, going to be given the chance to throw away their texts and substitute instead one of the members of the fairer sex. And what a chance our boys are going to have to do just that. Scheduled for this term are two exchange dinners, two firesides, and one costume dance. Theta Deuteron thinks this should be enough for anyone, considering the fact that the school itself has a dance every week end of the term. The right combination between all work and no play, and all play and no work is being put to good use again this year at the Phi Sig house with the results sure to be equally as successful as the preceding years.

With the house finally settling down to concentrate on fall term, George Watson,

house president, is beginning to breathe a little easier once more. "I never saw so much to do in so little time during that first week of school. Why I even started to lose hair from my head, and there's not too much there I can spare." George is speaking in reference to Freshman Week and also of the three days he and some of the brothers spent in cleaning up the house and preparing it for school opening. "But now we have 18 new pledges to help do that, and they do it everyday too," he says with a grin on his face. The pledges are: Vaughn Beard, Clarence Carlson, Don Davidson, Rick Erickson, Gene Fields, Ed Flemming, George Flowers, Les Frederickson, Regis Hurley, Dick Kebbe, Wilfred Loggan, Ralph Newsome, Gene Poff, Bob Ochs, Bob Strellman, Garland Trzynka, Dale Walker, and Darrell Walker.

That's all for now, but be looking for us in the next issue of THE SIGNET.

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### LAMBDA DEUTERON

University of Washington

By KEITH I. HULSE

There is a new spirit at Lambda Deuteron today. The chapter is soaring to its largest membership in its history. After a very successful week of pledging under the co-leadership of rushing chairmen Ed Christiansen and Don Lindley, and with many old members returning, the chapter roll will approach 70 in the first weeks of the fall quarter. During rush week 21 new members were pledged, and there are several men waiting to come into the group as soon as the silent period — a requirement of the local Interfraternity Council — is over.

Our hats are off to Bob Schwietzer who dropped in from Beta Deuteron at Minnesota just before rush week began with the intention of entering the U. of W. Bob really aided us in extolling the virtues of Phi Sigma Kappa to the unin-

formed rushees. We all appreciated his timely aid and regretted to see him accept a position in New York.

Another extremely likeable and useful man during rushing season was Tom Johnson from Mu Deuteron at the University of Montana. Tom is still with us though, and we are learning more and more about Montana, Chryslers, and women.

During the summer here at Lambda Deuteron a very extensive remodeling took place to the tune of around \$5,000. In addition to this actual cash outlay another intermediate amount was expended in the way of labor by some of our members who were around for the summer session here at Washington. Some of these more ambitious members were: our new house manager, Dick Odell, who is as hard a working Phi Sig as they come; Duane Fairchild, an architecture major who missed his calling — he should have been a carpenter; and George Crosta who spent his week ends working at the Phi Sig house in addition to his regular job. Thanks to them many remodeling jobs were completed. Many other brothers dropped in from time to time to aid in the task of putting the house in shape. An off-hand comment by our Regional Director, Bruce Bean, stated, "the house is in the best shape that I have ever seen it."

"The best shape that I have ever seen it" just about sums up the situation here at Lambda Deuteron.

The chapter elected myself (Keith Hulse) to lead it through the fall quarter. Ably assisting me in this task are: Vice-president Xie Olanie, Secretary Dudley Moore, Treasurer-House Manager Dick Odell, Sentinel Paul Michaels, and Inductor George Crosta. With a strong house we now swing into the fall quarter determined to be tops in all lines of endeavor. First we lined up an excellent social program under the guidance of our social chairman, Xie Olanie. From a



#### LAMBDA DEUTERON PLEDGES

From an outstanding field of candidates the following men were chosen to be pledges of Lambda Deuteron. Standing, left to right: James Sender, Robert Reed, Don Ketbel, Roy Morris, Loren Johnson, Dale Good, Jack Minert, Dave McClelland, William Bernhardt, Rex Jackson, Jack Seeley, and Ted Hames. Seated, left to right: Tom Lauhon, Gay Schaudics, Ted Echols, Doug Bearnault, James Carlson, Harold Sankey, James Pickrell, Charles Mehlinen, Don Perkins, and Spencer Floyd.



look at the schedule, we believe all will agree that there is plenty to entertain everyone.

After the social program comes intramural sports. Dick Gordon, the athletic chairman, has already called football practice, and we are toying with the idea of uniforms for our teams.

Pledge education and training is being supervised by Gerald Deery and Ralph Monaghan. Giving advice and maintaining silence during study hours is the responsibility of Gerald Love and Dallis Perry in their duty as study chairmen.

Homecoming, always a big event at the University of Washington, is being anticipated, and plans will soon be under way to see that Phi Sigma Kappa is well represented on the Washington campus.

The Mothers' and Wives' Club of Lambda Deuteron have already had an officers' meeting, and their regular meetings start soon. They have set the date for an open house to give all members and associated families a chance to see why we are so proud of this chapter. The fall term officers of the Mothers' Club are: president, Mrs. H. R. Skow; vice-president, Mrs. Earl P. Jones; secretary, Mrs. William H. Welch; and treasurer, Mrs. James Flaharty. We of the chapter are grateful to the Mothers' and Wives' Club for the lovely drapes they contributed to the redecoration of our house.

The alumni of Phi Sigma Kappa from this region have started their regular Wednesday luncheons at the Gowman Hotel. Thanks to the support of loyal alums our remodeling program was financed and supervised to a very successful conclusion. Alumni officers for the fall are: president, Ed Moe; vice-president, Malcolm Nelson; second vice-president, H. P. Valentine; secretary, Walter Woodword; and treasurer, Les Robinson. The first meeting of the alums was highly successful, and they

are looking forward to a year of increasing strength and interest.

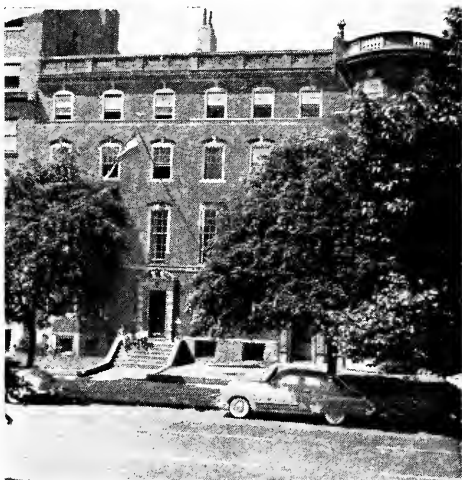
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## OMICRON

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

By JAMES A. HOOPER

A hard-working and efficient summer administration of the chapter has made possible a newly decorated chapter house



Omicron chapter house at 487 Commonwealth Avenue in Back Bay Boston

at Omicron. In the course of the summer the greater part of the house was painted and repapered. Brothers attending the summer session of the Institute found time to sand, shellac, varnish, and wax all of the house as this part was being repapered and painted. On the first floor a room formerly used as a study room for students was turned into a lounge with facilities for reading and card playing.

The efforts of the summer chapter and of the brothers during work week and rush week are already evidenced in the fine pledge class that Omicron has obtained. The rushing committee, headed by Bob Weber and Jim Hooper, pledged seven men from the entering class of 850 freshmen. They are: James R. Reese,



Champagne banquet preceding big IFC banquet held last spring.

Miami Beach, Florida; Robert M. Green, Haddonfield, N. J.; Harold R. Ronan, Jr., Bloomfield, N. J.; Frederick H. Sylvester, Baldwin, N. Y.; H. William Wardle, Orange, Conn.; Kenneth W. Weifenbach, Milwaukee, Wisc.; John C. Casson, Haddonfield, N. J.

A promising group of brothers have been elected to head the chapter for the next quarter; president, Bill Reynolds; vice-president, Woody Rowles; secretary, John Gutai; treasurer, Tom Folger; sentinel, Don Smith; and inductor, Bob Weber. Unfortunately, because of family affairs that necessitated his moving from the chapter home, Bill Reynolds resigned from his office as president. R. J. Horn was elected to the office, and the chapter is confident that he will do an efficient job.

Brother Reynolds appointed the committees for the year and they are as follows: Howie Bill will head the athletic committee and practice has already begun for the football team that we hope will better the good record of last year's team. Bob Voges will be the social committee chairman for the next term. He has already arranged an Acquaintance dance that was held for the freshmen during rush week. It was so successful that one is being planned for the whole house now.

Brother Lindholm will be in charge of publishing the Omicron News this year. The summer president, Bob Grott, will head the planning committee which coordinates house improvement activities. Bob Michel takes over the commissary department and all indications are that

food and service will be tops again this year. Jim Hooper will be the SIGNET correspondent.

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## BETA TRITON Knox College

By BEN BAKER

Although Beta Triton did not officially open the chapter house doors until September 21, organized chapter activity had been in progress since the close of the 1947-48 school year last June.

As all of the brothers know, the national convention in Boston was of much more than local interest. And Beta Triton's delegate, Bob Reed, has had much to say about the impressive and interesting things which took place. His report to the chapter was evidence in itself that Phi Sigma Kappa is making its greatest gains today and that we of the active chapters are more than helping to shape our fraternity's future. The new ritual has been acclaimed by the men at Beta Triton as being a vast improvement and a welcome innovation.

Of more local importance was the intensified rushing program which was inaugurated this summer. The Phi Sigs from Knox gave an excellent account of themselves this summer by contacting every man who was to be enrolled at Knox in the fall. Most of the contacts were made personally and, in many cases, extended correspondence was carried on between prospective students and the active chapter. On August 2nd the brothers who live in and around Chicago gave a banquet for the incoming freshmen from the same district. We were more than pleased with the response received and greeted 26 new freshmen that night. Needless to say, the banquet could not have been a success without the attendance of many Chicago-area alums and the excellent dinner address by D. R. Collins, our Regional Director.

Following up the work which began in the summer months, Beta Triton worked long and hard throughout the two-week rush period this fall and the results are, to say the least, gratifying. On October 2nd, Beta Triton formally pledged 29 men and walked off with campus honors, both in number and quality. The new neophytes are listed below:

Robert Davilla and Dean Miller, Galesburg, Ill.; John Collins, "Dutch" Dahlin, Jack Hoffman, James E. Locke, John B. Melin, and Robert Nelson of Chicago; Milton Koehler of Des Plaines, Ill.; Robert Miller of Dixon, Ill.; William Goodwin of Elgin, Ill.; Donald Nielsen of Elmhurst, Ill.; Lloyd Shirley of Havana, Ill.; Frank Irons and Robert V. Larson of Highland Park, Ill.; Robert H. Milner of LaGrange, Ill.; Robert Willits of New Boston, Ill.; David T. Trimble of Oaklawn, Ill.; Robert Coats of Ottawa, Ill.; Louis Lundstedt of Park Ridge, Ill.; Dave Knott of Riverside, Ill.; Harold Mayotte of Sheldon, Ill.; Philo Kane from Springfield, Ill.; Ted Matthiessen of Winnetka, Ill.; Rex Brown of Woodland, Ill.; John Harkness of Burlington, Iowa; Albert Wagner of Birmingham, Mich.; Michael Holtzman of New Buffalo, Mich.; Charles George of Rochester, Mich.; and Kamil Suhail from Baghdad, Iraq.

The addition of these pledges increases the chapter strength to 68 men. We of Beta Triton are very proud of this new pledge class and know that there is a successful year ahead for the Phi Sigs at Knox.

Another achievement of major importance which the brothers may well be proud of is the redecorating of the chapter house. With the exception of the lounge, all of the work was done by the brothers. From the "dry-dock" on the third floor to the back hall on the main floor, new paint can be seen on the walls and floors. New wallpaper graces the



Pledges and actives alike await the arrival of the new pledges after pledging

lounge and the floors have been sanded and refinished. To add to this, the house now possesses a complete set of new leather furniture plus an impressive console radio-phonograph set. Without a doubt, this "face-lifting" helped our rushing program to the "nth" degree.

October ninth was Dad's Day at Knox and the house sent a cordial invitation to all of the actives' and pledges' dads to attend our annual Dad's Day banquet. And, thanks to the work of our new social chairman, John Rothgeb, its success was assured.

Homecoming at Knox promises to be a very festive occasion this year and Beta Triton is prepared to entertain actives, alums and friends at the house throughout the week end. Decorations are being planned and the traditional "sack race" which is held at half time during the football game is our primary objective. We hope to redeem the trophy which we lost last year in a close race. In any event, there'll never be a dull moment.

The Phi Sigs can boast of two returning lettermen to the Knox football squad this year. Both are first string linemen and are more than a match for any opposition. Glenn LeFevre and Will Wollman hold these slots. The pledge class also shows athletic prowess with several men carrying the pigskin on the frosh football team. Intramurals have not, as yet, begun. But, it can be safely said that the Phi Sigs will be the team to beat this year.

At our first chapter meeting the broth-

ers elected a new set of officers for the fall term. Our new president is Richard Miller who is assisted by the vice-



KAMIL SUHAIL

He comes from Iraq and now wears the pledge pin of Phi Sigma Kappa at Beta Triton

president, Ben Baker. Other officers are as follows: secretary, Bob Reed; treasurer, Fred Tress; inductor, Lane Miller; sentinel, Ken Paul. Under their guidance, our success is assured.

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### ALPHA DEUTERON

University of Illinois

By **STUD KRAMER** AND **PIERRE DEBAUGH**

With leaves falling, weather cooling, footballs flying, and scotch-and-sodas tasting better, Alpha Deuteron men returned to campus to once again do battle with books, professors, term papers, auto permits, and the distractions of tight sweaters and pert swinging skirts.

The return to school this year was especially impressive as we were met by

a refurbished Phi Sig manse. The entire downstairs of the house was redecorated during the summer, and we are very proud of our new drapes, furniture, and paint job. We're strictly from House Beautiful now. Everything downstairs was repainted in shades of green, and we are still reaping a rich harvest of compliments. Included and carried out in our redecorating plans was an item of great distaff interest — a powder room. The gals are still sighing over it as it seems to be a consideration that few if any fraternities have to offer.

Alpha Deuteron resumed operations this semester under the capable hands of the following officers: Don Robinson, president; Jim Huff, vice-president; Weed Pearson, secretary; Joe Gauger, treasurer; Howie Broom, rushing chairman; and C. O. Hinderer, sentinel.

This semester is destined to be the final one for a few of the brothers. With February will come the matriculation of Jim Huff, Bob Pearson, and Dick DeBaugh. Good luck, gentlemen.

Rush week was a successful one this semester as we picked up 11 new pledges of top-notch quality, many of whom are certain to become campus wheels and all of whom should make outstanding Phi Sigs. Our new pledges: Ray Allen, Tuscola; Hank Blackwell, Salem; Stan Spesard, Shellbyville; Bob Simonds, Effingham; Bob Ryłowicz, Chicago; Chuck Ulrich, Chicago; John Lytle, Indianapolis; Walt Linne, Danville; Don Smith, Golconda; Sheldon Frank, Chadwick; and Don Nish, Elgin.

New brothers who made their grades and passed all requirements during the spring semester last year, but who were recently initiated are the following: Gene Turner, Denny Orphan, Ed Spengler, Bill Braun, and Joe Phifer.

### *Social Activities*

The pledge-active annual football game touched off the social season September 26th. After a closely contested battle

the actives emerged victors. A keg of beer was wagered on the outcome of the game, and the pledges dutifully provided the actives with a beverage party.

The newly acquired Phi Sig pledges set a precedent on the University of Illinois campus when they united with pledge classes of Alpha Sigma Phi, Lambda Chi Alpha and Theta Xi to stage a joint pledge dance. "Shantytown Shuffle" was the title of the dance, and all members dressed appropriately as hoboes. The above-mentioned precedent established by our illustrious plebes was that of combining four fraternities for any single social event. The dance was staged in Fraternity Park behind the Phi Sig house on a portable dance floor. Champaign's mayor, Chief of Police, and Fire Chief were invited, as were the Deans of Men and Women. The dance was a tremendous success and received a large amount of local publicity.

Social Chairman Curt Jansky has made plans for a complete social schedule, featured by exchange dinners with top-drawer campus sororities. We have exchanged dinners with Phi Mu, Theta Upsilon, and Gamma Phi Beta, and Curt has made tentative arrangements with several other sororities.

Dad's Day this year will be held on November 6th on the week end of the Illini-Iowa football game. Plans have been made for a banquet in honor of our fathers, and a tour of the campus so as to show them our environment. We hope that our Fighting Illini will triumph. Brother Cy Deitch is in charge of the Dad's Day arrangements, assisted by Pledge Walt Linne.

### *Athletics*

Brother Tom Stewart has been operating this season as chief signal caller on the Illini eleven. In the opening game of the season Tom engineered a 40-0 victory, and completed nine passes out of thirteen attempts. Tommy hails from Lew Wallace High in Gary, Indiana,

and is a junior this year. In his freshman year Tom played enough ball to win his varsity "I," and last year he was defensive quarterback and again won a varsity letter. Both years Stewart was overshadowed by Perry Moss, and wasn't given a chance, or so we think, to exhibit his wares. However, this year Moss is gone and Tom has proven that he is an eminent quarterback. We're extremely proud of our talented brother, Tom Stewart.

Three of our pledges, Chuck Ulrich, tackle, Bob Ryłowicz, halfback, and John Lytle, fullback, are outstanding members of the Illini freshman team this year. Brother Gene Turner is also a freshman football mainstay, playing first string guard.

Brother Lynn Lynch was switched from center to tackle this fall and is now running with the third team, which is a major accomplishment since it is the first time in his career he has ever played his new position. While attending high school in Indianapolis, "Rip" was chosen all-state center.

Alpha Deuteron men followed the American League pennant race with unusual interest, and all brothers rooted vigorously for Brother Lou Boudreau's Cleveland Indians in the unprecedented race. Brother Boudreau invited Alpha Deuteron men to attend the fifth World's Series game held in Cleveland, and approximately twenty men flew to Cleveland to attend the game. We unanimously applaud Lou for his tremendous success both as manager and shortstop, and wish him the best of luck in the future.

As in the past, Alpha Deuteron extends a welcome to all Phi Sigs to partake of our hospitality on football week ends. A buffet lunch will be served before every game for alums and guests.

Homecoming week end will be November 13th, when Ohio State will oppose our Fighting Illini. Plans are being made to welcome our brothers back

to Alpha Deuteron. Brothers Joe Phifer and Bob Piper are in charge of the Homecoming decorations, and Brothers Harry Gotti, Paul Brothers, Dick DeBaugh, Dave Kramer, and Pledge Henry Blackwell are arranging the alumni welcome and banquet.

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### LAMBDA TRITON Rhode Island State College

By JOSEPH D. KEEGAN

On September 15th the Phi Sig house was opened once again for the coming college year. We welcomed back all but three members and one pledge who have joined the "ball and chain gang." Congratulations, fellows. "Tippy" Salimeno finally made it and we wish him all the luck in the world as he recently was accepted at the University of Maryland School of Dental Surgery. I hope that some of the brothers at Eta Chapter get to meet Tip, as he is a great fellow. The house was painted last spring and is now in good shape. It will be kept that way from all indications as Walt Carleen, house manager, has had the pledge class, which numbers 10 doing landscaping and other manual duties. At the start of the present semester the following men were pledged: Lionel Houle, sophomore in the school of science, Frank DeSantis, engineering, Walter Diggles, engineering, Al Luzon, science and Al Campangne, engineering. Each year at Rhode Island State College three cups are awarded: Scholarship, Intramural Athletics, and Homecoming Day display. This year Phi Sig is going to try and place three new cups over the fireplace. We have already been informed that we will receive the Scholarship Cup on Honors Day for having the highest fraternity average. So it's a case of one down and two to go. With Harry Stransky, a member of Sigma Mu (Engineering Honor Society) leading the way, it looks like the cup may re-

main for some time. The pledges are working hard on the Homecoming Day project and if plans go through it will be hard to beat. As for intramural football we have a very promising team, it says here.

Brothers Brady, Perry, Keegan, Brown, Thulrier, and Greenhalgh reported a wonderful time was had at the Moonlight Ball Dinner Dance. We are sorry, however, that more of the brothers were not at the house during the summer semester to meet those who stopped at the house on their way to the convention.

About the "ball and chain gang," during the summer Brother Dick Benvenuti said "I do" to Miss Joan Garrison; Brother William Ferringo, who played some fine golf with the varsity also took the final step with Marie Sebastinella, and Pledge Dick Skoglay was married to Jane Walker in West Virginia.

That's about all for now except to wish all the chapters success in the coming year.

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### THETA TRITON University of Texas

By MORRIS YARROW AND VANCE BARKER

Theta Triton started the fall season with a bang as the chapter threw a beer bust to acquaint returning brothers with our new chapter house, which faces the Sigma Nu's, at 219 Archway.

Bob Adams, Nuel Childs, George Nelle, and several others worked hard during the summer in order to acquire new quarters for the fall semester. The house has been redecorated under the direction of Ken Elliott and new furniture and drapes were added in order to make the house suited for the uses of the fraternity. The game room has proven very popular with the brothers who have been made acquainted with its various attractions.

We held several informal rush parties during the summer for prospective

pledges attending summer school. The San Jacinto Alumni Club threw a big rush party in Houston just before the opening of the formal rush period at Texas U. Twelve good pledges were secured as a result of these activities. Our pledges are: James Edward Burson, Houston; Marvin Grace, Houston; William Lastinger, Austin; Frank Wyatt, Austin; Dan F. Luckey, Austin; Lee B. Cheshier, Jr., Lancaster; Isaac Curtis Kerbridge, Jr., Corpus Christi; Billy Fuller Visage, Longview; Jack C. Koen, Hamilton; Cleon K. Warren, Lorena; Ray Clarence Wilson, Waco; and Oliver P. Carrillo, San Antonio. The officers of the pledge class are: Dan Luckey, president; Frank Wyatt, vice-president; and Bill Lastinger, secretary. We are continuing to have informal rush dates since the formal rush period is over.

As a result of recent elections Jim Fleming — one of those Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Yankees — was elected president of the chapter. Other officers elected were Ken Dyer, vice-president; Morris Yarrow, secretary; Harry Peck, treasurer; Vance Barker, inductor; and Richard Kinney, sentinel. Ken Elliott was elected junior Interfraternity Council member, Jim Fleming being the senior member.

George Chaney has been accepted by the Texas U Medical Branch at Galveston and Walter Moore by the Baylor Med School at Houston. We want to congratulate these men as it was necessary for them to maintain a high scholastic average in order to get into these medical schools.

Theta Triton recently awarded keys to the following brothers for their part in helping build a better chapter. The scholarship key went to Joe Adamcik and the outstanding member key to Doug McNair who served as president of the chapter for two semesters.

Further honors came to Theta Triton when Clark Jenkins graduated with

honors in June. Blair Justice was selected for membership in Phi Beta Kappa because of high scholarship; Bill Pfennig, past vice-president of Theta Triton, was elected to membership in Chi Epsilon and Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternities; Curtis Scott and Vance Barker to Delta Sigma Pi, honorary business fraternity; and Billy Thompson and Joe Adamcik to Phi Eta Sigma, honorary freshman fraternity. Doug McNair was chosen as a "Goodfellow," an honor accorded to outstanding students on the campus.

Our chapter has been active in clique meetings as the Greek system at Texas U prepares for the fall political campaign. The clique is maintained as a separate organization from the Interfraternity Council here at T. U.

The San Jacinto Alumni Club of Texas has given us much valuable assistance in getting started in our new house. Art Manson and Jerry Harshaw have visited us several times and Ed Howell, president of the Alumni Club has been particularly active and has made many visits to Austin in order to help us get started along the right path.

We are proud of our scholastic and social record here at Texas U and as we enter our second year as a member of the Greek system we expect to advance our prestige still higher.

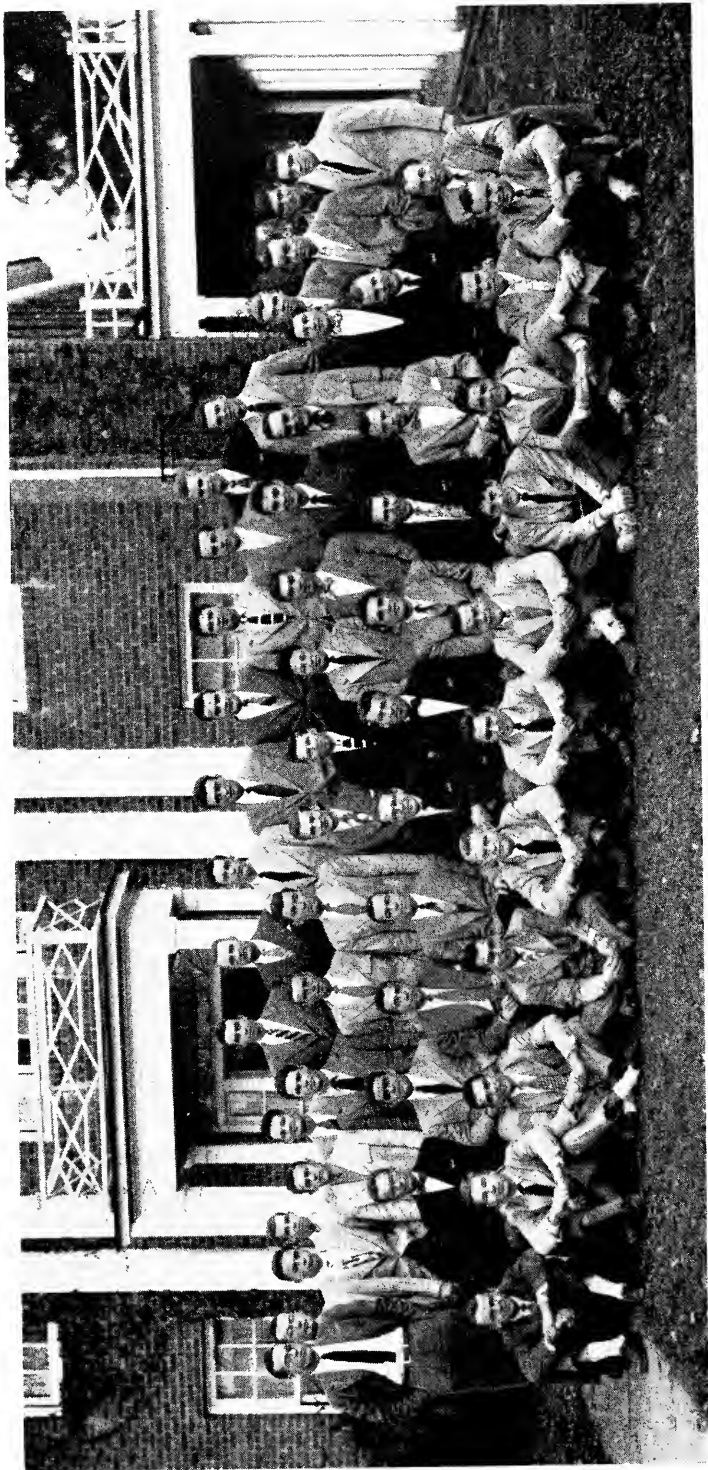
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## TAU

### Dartmouth College

By STANLEY F. ALGER, JR.

The 30th of September marked the kick-off of the 1948-1949 season here at Dartmouth as the brothers of Tau came from all over the country to settle down to the routine of "reading, writing, and 'rithmetic." An advance guard, spearheaded by brothers Norby Wild and Ralph Muehlig, invaded the Hanover plain three or four days earlier to set the pace for the current renovations.



#### MEMBERS OF TAU CHAPTER

Left to right, back row: Jim Maroney, Jack Newby, Maury Ready, Al Teel, George Huntsinger, Paul Quinlan, Al Sullivan, Rick Landon, Lou Clarke, Standing: Bill Stevens, Tom Cornwall, Herb Crampton, Don Brown, Fred McBride, Bob Underhill, John Daukas, Chuck Regan, Dean Worth, Ross Dunbar, Herb Von Rohr, Bob MacKinnan, Bill Ballard, Toli Daukas, Jim Garrison, Norby Wild, Bob Perry, Bob Farrell, Stan Alger, Ralph Muchling. Sitting: Bob Allen, Dunc MacLeod, Dick Welsh, Doc Burns, George French, Nellie Abrahamson, Bill Carlson, Bob Hunt, Jere Poole, Bob Griffith. Front row: Bill Diemer, Joe Gilchrist, Mac Grant, Doug Mann, Malc Riley, Dick Johnson, Herb Gramstorff, Johnny Lanzetta, Bill Oed, Brooks Barvoets, Johnny Wolf.



The interior of Tau this year is fated to suffer a new coat of paint at the hands of this year's tenants.

An unexpected cold wave has swept down upon us here bringing out fur-lined jackets, windbreakers, and red flannels. Due to a furnace overhauling at the present time, we are forced to suffer.

Our first meeting of the year has been set for Thursday the 7th at which time Brother Jere Poole, house president, shall outline plans for the coming year. The item at the top of the list is our fall house party week end coming this year on the 6th of November. On that week end, the Big Green plays host to Columbia. Committee heads will be elected and, in general, the machinery started for what promises to be the best party on campus.

Other plans for the first half of the year include Thanksgiving and Christmas parties leading up to the week end of all week ends — "Winter Carnival."

The year looks unusually bright this year for Tau in the field of interfraternity athletics. First of all is the touch football league. While Brother Johnny Daukas carries the Phi Sig colors onto the field in varsity football, eleven stalwarts from Tau shall storm onto the field and attempt to wrap up this year's championship after a disappointing season last year which saw us battle our way right up into the semifinals of the fraternity league.

Last year it was the same story in Tau's hoop circuit. Our quintet dribbled its way into the semifinals again. This year we hope to walk off with the golden cup.

Hockey was last season's shining light. Our sextet, sparked by such speedsters as Bob Perry, Chuck Regan, Al Teel, Herb Von Rohr, and Dick Leary and our ironclad defensemen — Dunc MacLeod, Maurey Ready, and Herb Gramstorff — waged relentless and successful battle

on all comers, walking away with the laurels in this department.

At the helm this year at Tau we have Brother Jere Poole, a senior, hailing from Merion, Pa. He and his first mate — Brother Maurey Cole, another able senior and a first year Tuck man (also last year's house manager) — make up an efficient and conscientious duo which promises to guide us safely, successfully, and happily through the days ahead. Brother Cole proudly represents the town of Ventnan, N. J.

The job of handling Tau's financial obligations this year falls upon the able shoulders of Brother Al Sullivan, another noble senior hailing from West Roxbury, Mass. Sully is doing a terrific job in filling the shoes of Brother Dick Welch who graduated last June.

The duties of secretary belong to Brother Stan Alger, a senior from Middleboro, Mass. There is a lot to be done in this department this year and we know Stan will see us through successfully.

Brother Dunc MacLeod, a junior from Mattapan, Mass., is slated to hold down the office of house manager. This is a job with a lot of responsibility, for his concern is with the immediate welfare of the house. We couldn't have picked a better man for the job. All possible aid should be pledged in his direction, and I know he shall receive our full support.

Brother Dick Leary and wife received a new addition to their household this past summer. We are all looking forward to pledging little "Stevey" in 1966.

This promises to be a terrific year here at Tau and we hope to see some of you from the other chapters during the year. Please remember to look us up if you are in the vicinity.

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### ETA DEUTERON University of Nevada

The fall pledging program at Eta Deuteron has been completed and the resulting pledge class shows promise of being very active and contributing greatly to a very successful year. Due to the free-lance pledging system at Nevada, our rushing program has been under way since June. Ex-president Bill Ebert served as summer rushing chairman and his efforts, as aforementioned, have proved to be well-rewarded. When classes started in September, John Campbell was appointed chairman of rushing and he also has been successful in getting the other members to secure the more desired pledges. The fall pledge class numbers 31, 5 of which will be initiated on October 10th, leaving a class of 26. Their names are as follows with the five to be initiated listed first: Richard Cotter, Rudolph Gerken, Evan L. Harris, David Shoemaker, Arthur Wigg, Donald L. Aikin, Robert L. Beamish, Bruno Benna, Charles G. Brown, Clarence Brown, David B. K. Crabb, Robert V. Deady, Kenneth S. Fox, Joseph Gonder, Raymond J. Healy, David M. Heher, William S. Kabeary, Fred R. Lee, John F. Mieding, Joseph Moore, Robert E. Moran, Darrell S. Nall, Frederic Lee Purtill, Wesley Sayre, Earl H. Smith, Gardner Smith, Raymond E. Sutton, Basil Quilici, Theodore Quilici, John J. Quintana, and George W. Waltensteil.

A very interesting phase of inter-chapter relations is now in progress between Eta Deuteron and Omega of California University. When Brother Gianelli transferred from Nevada U. to the U. of California, all of the brothers of Eta Deuteron felt the loss to our chapter. Gianelli, however, has provided a very close tie between our two chapters now and we both are considering an inter-chapter get-together with all the trimmings. Plans are already under way and

both chapters have agreed to meet at a small town half way between Reno and Berkeley (Rocklin, California). Such things as softball, tennis, and other sports will provide interesting competition and such details as wine, women, and song will be handled in the usual Phi Sig manner. (The best, that is —). We, of course, realize that this sort of inter-chapter affair is out of the question for chapters which are located at great distances from each other, but due to the proximity of Eta Deuteron and Omega (only 260 miles) we both are very happy about and in complete accordance with the idea.

Eta Deuteron's officers for the fall semester are as follows: president, Matthew Klimaszewski, Garfield, New Jersey; vice-president, George Lindesmith, Henderson, Nevada; secretary, James Harker, Reno, Nevada; treasurer, George Griffith, Sacramento, California; sentinel, Ted Klimaszewski, Garfield, New Jersey; and inductor, John Campbell, Los Angeles, California.

It might be interesting to the brothers to know that Brother Ebert of Eta Deuteron ran for president of the student body in an election last May. He won the primary election by a strong margin, but in the final election, he lost out by five votes in the closest election in the history of the school.

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### GAMMA TRITON University of South Carolina

By RUPERT BLOCKER

Last fortnight of ye 'ole' May, all Phi Sigs were busying themselves with innumerable duties. Despite the laborious efforts of planning parties and the jubilant times we had, the Phi Sigs found time out for a last minute initiation. Yep, three cosmopolites were brought into our fraternity circle. Terry (Bowman town) Smith, Bill (Confuscious) Castles and Tommy (Lover) Kirby. It

was a small but, indeed, worthwhile initiation.

Yep, Phi Sigs were and are still "party happy." Two parties a week was nothing out of the ordinary for Gamma Triton. A big time was had at Billy Gant's place. A very quiet (??) and rustic spot it was. Moonlight flitting over the lake set many hearts into motion. One of our most "Diana-struck" victims was Ray (Herringbone Twill) Britt, commonly known these days as "Baby Ray." Ye ole hotdogs and beer was everywhere.

Time out for pledging! Yep, Gamma Triton had a record-breaking occasion. Pledges were coming from far and near. The new neophytes of the merry month of May included Charlie Emmons, Jerry Myers, H. C. (Sooky) arrant, Eddie Jackson, Bill Patrick, Woody Steverson, Howard (Slim) Wall, Lawton (What's the word, Doc) Wiles, Tee (Lover) Wright, and Frank (Bold-look) MacAbee. Yes, ten pledges was the pinnacle of our semester's pledging.

After many glorious dances and parties, the semester drew to a close. Some worked during the summer, others dived into their books, and eleven lucky couples sojourned down to the beach. The place? "Pawley's Island." Plenty of good fresh air, exercise, and beautiful women really put the boys into shape for the coming semester. The food was southern style. Everything was right and "right" was the countersign of the day. Mint juleps were served hourly. The bartender? Brother Pat Patrick was it. You have never had your lips on anything like a Patrick's mint julep. Girls were termed "magnolia" and the term has been disseminated all over the campus. Every cute wench is "Magnolia." A very delectable time was had by all but that inevitable hour of parting had to come and overturned so many lovecars.

After a very busy summer by all Phi Sigs engaging in various and sundry activities, we returned to our simple but

beloved abode. There is no place like home! The Phi Sigs opened up the fall season with a bang. The very first week witnessed a very fine beer, weiner roast and dance. Again all men observe "Diana and her companions" over another beautiful lake casting many moonbeams over a motionless body of water. Once all good brothers dug into the beer barrels and weiners, they diverted their interest into other channels. "Diana and her companions" were doomed."

What has Arthur Murray got on us? Nothing, brother! You should have seen "Bowman town" Smith doing that old "Sexè" (French) shag of his. Pledge Vic "Michelangelo" was doing some pretty fancy steps himself. The floor was literally covered with dancers. Yes, square dancing was even fashionable.

Vic (Michelangelo) Johnson is really doing an excellent job as pledge president. Our house is immaculate. Everything is tidied-up. Various and sundry plans were discussed for having an informal dance after the Clemson (our arch-rival)-Carolina game on the 21 of October.

Phi Sigs will initiate again very soon several pledges: Vic Johnson, Gordon Kennerly, Bob (Horton) McQuillen and Charlie Emmons. Incidentally Pledge Stan (Atlas) Alford has just received his set of muscles from Mr. Atlas. Pledge "Bill Boy" Putnam is really hitting the limelight this semester.

Brother Henry Gaddis (Fearless Foss-dick) is doing an excellent job as president. Benny (Silent Do-Good) Outen is doing wonderfully as vice-president. Earl (Flambeau) Zeigler has what it takes to collect all dues and assessments on time. "Flambeau" is a "très bon" treasurer. Rupert Blocker, secretary, has earned the distinction of being known as the "Shag king" of the Phi Sigs. Brothers, it took work to do this. Brother Pat (Stereotyped) Patrick is achiev-

ing excellent results as inductor. Fletcher Monts, sentinel; has just bought a new 1929 whippet. It is a beauty! Alex (Moonbeam) Bolling is digging in this semester. Brothers Tommy Smeltzer and Bill Patrick have tentative plans of sojourning at Carnegie Hall next fall.

All the idle chatter for 'this time! Have some fun!!!

Good-bye for now.

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### KAPPA TRITON

Fresno State College

By JOHN J. MCKERREN

Due to the very recent loss of our president, Chuck Price, and three other brothers, Eddie Marbut, Wes Trumble, and Bill Grogan in an airplane crash near Portland, Oregon on September 26, 1948, we are not able to give a full report on our present and planned activities at this time.

However, we will mention at this time that Kappa Triton is establishing a memorial scholarship in loving memory of our brothers and their companion who were called from this world in a common tragedy.

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### ETA TRITON

University of Akron

By DICK KENYON

There must really be something to the saying "In spring a young man's fancy . . .," for returning from summer vacation we find Eta Triton is gradually turning into a married men's fraternity. "Do you remember," someone was saying the other day, "when we used to sit around and discuss who was dating who and what a sharp number so and so was?" "Yes," replied the other fellow, "those were the good old days." What do we hear now? Well, it goes something like this: "My wife paid 95 cents a pound for the same thing," and "the other day we found a swell four-room apartment but

the rent was terrific," or "say, when is the new addition to the family due, Joe?" Yes, it's a sad situation but that old well-established institution of marriage is literally taking over Eta Triton. Among those who have returned this fall with ball and chains are Keith Coultrap, Bob Allen, Ford Kalil, Dick Miller, Don Morris, Don Jenkins, and Dick Kenyon. (See Chapter Hymeneal.)

Looking at the brighter side of life we find in our ranks nine new actives. You know, there is something very invigorating about watching or talking to a new active. There is so much enthusiasm and just plain get-up and go in every one of them. It is something that a lot of the older fellows in the fraternity would be wise in watching and appreciating. In this classification we find Mike Barna, Carrol Dean, Dan Grantham, John Hayden, Bryan Haylock, Joe Le-casic, John Lennox, Jack Pollard, and Alex Thomas. All of these fellows are very promising and we are looking forward to many pleasant times together.

In comes the new and out goes the old — isn't it the truth. The oldsters going out are Brothers Jim Thorn and Bruce Jackson who graduate this coming January.

Well, we have six new officers paving the way for Eta Triton this semester. At the helm is Chuck Kenyon, president; then we have Bob McCort, vice-president, and following are Bob Summy, Jack Kintz, John Hayden, and Jim Johnson, secretary, treasurer, inductor and sentinel, respectively. Our new president has very few spare moments anymore; if you want to see him an appointment is a necessity. This is due to the fact that he is a part time instructor in humanities and freshmen can be quite exasperating sometimes. Another very busy man these days is Dick Hansford who, last June, was elected president of Student Council and has really had his hands full. An interesting although unfortunate incident oc-

curred during the campaign. It seems that in an effort to be sure Brother Hansford's name was before the student body, and very prominently so, Brother Bob Cross borrowed an advertising trailer from the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company. It was of the type that blimps tow behind while flying over the city advertising different products. It was approximately 75 feet long and the letters spelling out Dick's name were 6 feet high. It evidently was just too much for the opposition for it remained on campus one night only. It has not been seen or heard of since. Politics!

It seems that along with the many good things that happen there must always be a certain amount of bad. Eta Triton certainly has had its share of the bad in the past couple of months. The chapter's heartfelt sympathy is with Brother Jim Ederer whose lovely wife, Barbara, passed away last month. Barbara was well known on campus and was affiliated with the Delta Gamma Sorority. Another brother who felt tragedy strike is Bob Butler. His nearly completed home burned down. Bob did most of the work himself and was all set to move in this fall. Bob's plight was felt quite deeply by many Akronites and his fraternity brothers who donated nearly \$7,000 time and materials towards a new home for the Butlers.

Within a week or so some of the brothers should become noticeably fatter and healthier. Yes, at long last meals are going to be served at the house. Just think, no more Joe's joint, etc. Now, maybe we can develop a worthwhile football team. Then again maybe it won't be such a good thing. I can just see some of the fellows trying to explain to their wives why they prefer to eat at the fraternity house at noon.

In the athletic department we find wrestling taking the spotlight. It seems that we lost the intramurals championship by one match — very disappointing

to say the least. Wrestling were Brothers John Berg, 155; Earl Selovir, 132; Dick Miller, 145; Jim Johnson, heavy-weight; Bob Cross, 118; Darrell Bently, 181; and Russell Vermillion, 165. First year men on the varsity team who won their letters were Brothers Dick Hansford, 165; Bruce Jackson, 155; and Andy Oravec, 128.

Also in the sports department we might mention that we have just recently received an autographed photo from the Cleveland Indians' all-time great manager, shortstop, Brother Lou Boudreau.

In the past three months Eta Triton held several very fine social functions. Among these was the Night Club Party held at the house on July 2nd. The house was decorated to resemble the ultimate in night clubs, very chic. (Puffy's and Louie's). The evening was spent dancing and later a floor show was presented. It consisted of those original bloomer girls, Brothers Keith Coultrap, Don Morris, Tony Economou, Bill Pierson, and Ralph Haren on the "88." The show was MC'd by Bob Cross. Chaperons were Doc Sherman and Mrs. Sherman. Bandmaster Darrell Witters also officiated. A stag spaghetti supper was held at the house on July 16th. Brothers Guido Listello and Nunzio Manioci acted as chief cooks and bottle washers. After the dinner Doc Sherman presented an informal talk on the National Republican Convention which was very interesting. A round table discussion followed. The evening was brought to a close with the showing of a film.

On the night of August 6th another very successful stag party was held. This was termed "Athletic Night" and was attended by the fathers and alumni. The backyard was fixed up to resemble a gymnasium and Brothers Ed Petty and Dick Miller collaborated on MC'ing the show. Brothers Bob Cross, Dick Hansford, and Norm Elder (Akron U gym coach) put on a tumbling exhibition.

Brothers Don Hamilton and Paul Pinder (a member of Akron U gym team) put on a hand balancing act. There were three wrestling matches. Andy Oravec and Earl Selover, Bruce Jackson and Russ Vermillion, and Darrell Bently and Jim Johnson. Tony Evans, one of the



Bob Cross, Marjorie Beven, and Jim Campbell  
at Gay 90's party.

new football coaches, gave a talk on future prospects and showed the new Akron U football film. The evening was concluded with a light snack. Our annual summer dance was held August 28th and was officially termed our Diamond Jubilee Dance in honor of Phi Sigma Kappa's Diamond Jubilee year. Brother Bob Cole's orchestra played and a really swell time was had by all.

Our yearly weekly outing to our cottage at Portage Lakes turned out swell although there was a noticeable absence of some of the older experts on "summer outings" (how to play poker in four easy lessons).

The kick-off of the fall semester was the brilliantly conceived brain-child of Gordy Harrod, social chairman. A terrific "Gay Nineties" party featuring the

brothers hiding behind enormous false mustaches and their dates in hoop skirts. With saw dust on the floor and "free lunch" signs around the house the affair had a very unique touch. The refreshments were served in old fashioned ale mugs (hic!).

The entertainment for the evening was started by a contest to choose the best-dressed couple of 1898. The judges were Mr. and Mrs. Herbauch and Brother Doc Sherman. The contest winners were Brothers Bob Cross and Marge Beven, his soon-to-be. He wore the uniform of a Keystone cop and she the 1890 version of a bathing suit. Thank goodness this is 1948.

Next on the program was a floor show which was MC'd by Ed Petty, with his Bob Benchley brand of humor. Ed got the show under way amid ringing of bells, loaded cigars going off and other loud diversions. First Brother Alex Thomas did a very fine job of playing a beautiful old Viennese waltz on his violin. He was followed by Brother Paul Yova singing old songs like "The Night That Patty Murphy Died" followed by Miss Arlene Roberts, a very fine vocalist, singing "When You Wore A Tulip." Next our poet laureate, Brother Jack Kintz recited some original stuff about engineering college at Akron University. Through the entire evening Brother Petty kept telling about burglars being in the neighborhood. Everyone understood why when he introduced the hilarious comedy team of Salem and Jenkins who made their entrance through the window. With all of the lights out they proceeded to blow the safe and commit other acts of infamy to the delight of those assembled. Brother Everett Royal made a wire recording of the whole evening's entertainment so that whenever the field representative comes around he will be highly amused (we hope) with our brand of humor.

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## OMEGA DEUTERON

University of Southern California

By MIKE JONES

Back to school, back to dull books and duller profs (exceptions are not the rule), and the new semester begins to unfold ...

*Officers*

Jim Royer, with his final semester as an undergraduate at S.C., was unanimously chosen president of Omega Deuteron for the fall semester. Jim Hodges fills the shoes of vice-president and social chairman, and Paul Kemp was elected secretary. Dick Larzelere was re-elected to job of treasurer only to decide no-go (he got married — see below), and John Harris was drafted for the job of housemouse.

*One Week of Hell*

That week which is correctly called Inspiration Week or Work Week was held early in the semester. Under the advice of Jim Thomas, the exterior of the house was to be painted during the week. It was started, at least, with the upper shingled story being painted grey and the bottom half white. At the week's end, much painting remained to be done, and it was decided that all house members would put in two-hours duty painting.

*Junior Actives*

Saturday afternoon, September 25th, at the Los Angeles Athletic Club, 18 additions were made to the active group. The "Junior Active" group now consists of: Larry Littrell, Jim Deger, Howard Tokley, Bob Ornberg, Ed Winkenhower, Bill McCowan, Ed Dunn, Chuck Rankin, Hal MacDaniels, Ed Madruga, Pete Arendrup, Chuck Boles, Bob Topping, Jerry Lamb, Don Boelter, Bob Hager, Bill Busby, and Ronald Beyl.

A banquet was held at the L.A.A.C. immediately following initiation, and was enjoyed by all, particularly with the entertainment supplied by Harry Wirtz.

*Initiation Formal*

Saturday evening, after initiation, a

formal dance honoring the new actives was held at the Hollywood Riviera Country Club in Redondo Beach. Probably the first formal held by any organization at school in the new semester, the dance was open to actives, alumni, and new pledges.

*Romance*

Proving that romantic ideas can happen in the fall as well as the spring, Larry Littrell announced his pinning to Alpha Phi president "Ginny" Francis. Bill Feathers pinned his gal, Lois Wehrman, a lovely L.A.A.C. swimmer and S.C. girl. Yours truly was serenaded by the brothers at the initiation formal, with pinee Woodie Woodin of E.V.K. dorm.

*Rushing*

Like it was never done before, or at least for some time, Herb Sauerman led an ambitious crew of actives and pledges in the semester's rushing. Harry Hines, Paul Kemp, Bill O'Connor, Jim Charters, prexy Jim Royer, and others devoted considerable effort and time to bringing in new pledges. It was difficult to put on the breaks when the big rushing machine began to roll. Twenty-nine pledges have the honor of pledging under the administration of Pledge master Jim Brice. For the record: Carl Almquist, Don Anderson, Scotty Beckett (who had to drop out last semester to make a movie), Mike Beckwith, William Boyd, George Clark, Norm Green, Bud Hauslein, Tom Hill, William Jamison, Ted Jaworski, Dick Kappes, Tom Kemp, Vick Knight, Bill Malapert, Terry Mann, Larry Matson, Fred Meister, Don Miller, Dave Moier, Glenn Older, Albert Paulson, Ronald Rowlin, James Schleckt, William Seelert, John Whittaker, Dutch Williwater, and John Wolfe. A good bunch of guys.

*Married*

Ray Adams married June Hayes this summer, and the same day, Dick Larzelere and Alpha Phi Phyllis Ruffcorn took the oath. Dick Thomas announced

his marriage to Chadryenne Du Frene. October 10th Bill O'Connor was married to Chi Omega Betty Lou Miller. Gene Beck married Barbara Deane, early in the summer, and Sterling Madding came back from San Francisco long enough to invite the brothers to his marriage to Enid Hoffman.

### *Last Semester*

Phi Sigma Kappa led all others fraternities at S.C. in total number of social events held by individual fraternities, thanks to Pete Zama who acted as social chairman. According to the Dean's official published report, our 32 social events put us on top.

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### LAMBDA

#### The George Washington University

By PETE REPAK

With the fourth annual house party at Camp Chopawonsic, Virginia, Lambda completed one of its finest years in top-notch Phi Sig fashion. This five-day trek

into the wilds of Virginia was an even more enjoyable climax to the school year than in the past, due to the efforts of Mel Chrisman, who planned the trip; Paul Correll, who supervised in the kitchen; and Mrs. Mildred Patterson, who came along to keep an eye on son Jerry and sixty other Lambda men and dates.

Despite a wholesale exodus early in June, Lambda managed a full and varied social calendar throughout the summer. In June we held an exchange dance with Sigma Kappa sorority, and on a Friday evening, some of us descended on Brother Don Bratton, at his cabin on Chesapeake Bay, for a beach party. Early in July the Alpha Delta Pis honored us with a picnic at Rock Creek Park, and near the end of the month more than 150 people packed the house for a Ship's Party.

The Gay Nineties party, held in September, was the highlight of the summer parties. The entire house was decorated in typical high-button shoes fashion, and brothers and dates disguised themselves



W. Barrett Fuchs, Regional Director from Region Three showing movies at one of our rush parties.



in derbies, mustaches, and high-necked, low-skirt dresses. A coach which seated 14, complete with team of horses, was hired for the evening; red lanterns lighted the fountain in the patio, where tables were set up with red-and-white-checked tablecloths.

Five parties are scheduled for this fall's rushing season, beginning with the grand opening of our re-decorated bar. There will be a pre-George Washington-Maryland game buffet supper; the Annual Farmers' Day Ball; a cocktail dance; and a stag smoker.

Officers over the summer months were Dick Adams, president; Mel Chrisman,



Marcia Roessing of Kappa Alpha Theta, our Moonlight Girl, at Camp Chopawamsic

vice-president; Oscar Will, secretary; Bert Freese, treasurer; Bob Pittman, inductor; and Pete Repak, sentinel.

Meals were served throughout the summer, under the supervision of John Gilroy, and we are happy to have back with us our old cook, Rosa, an old-time Virginian who is terrific with the fried chicken. The Mothers' and Wives' Club has re-activated for the coming year. New officers are Mrs. B. McCoskey, president; Mrs. M. Chrisman, vice-president; and Mrs. Duane Stewart, secretary-treasurer. The club is undertaking a number of improvements in the house.



#### GAY 90's PARTY

Pern Henninger, who has served as our chapter adviser for the past five years, has left Washington to live in New York City. He was honored with a farewell dinner at the chapter house on October 10, again with the help of the Mothers' and Wives' Club.

Dick Adams has sailed for Europe to study for a master's at the University of Geneva. Our staunch and stalwart Lew Hoffacker, who graduated with honors this spring, is doing graduate work at the Fletcher School of Diplomacy in Boston. Marcia Roessing, our Moonlight Girl, has just returned from a summer in Paris, where her father is in charge of entertaining for the American Embassy.

Brother Trimble has tossed his pin in the direction of pretty Betty Owen, and Bob Pittman is well-attached in like manner to Olita Davis. John Dusenberre will be adding Fay Rumble to the membership of our Mothers' and Wives' Club very shortly.

Pats-on-the-back Department: Brother Frank Simmons, for his diligent work in the social line; Brother Bob Dentz, who has re-decorated the bar in an out-of-this-

world Chinese motif; and Brother Roy Glasscock, who engineered a rush pamphlet for Lambda on the order of the national rush folder.

At this writing, the school year has just begun and the house is once more filled with brothers. The year ahead promises to be one of the finest for Lambda. We expect not only to maintain our position as one of the top-ranking fraternities at George Washington, but to continue to climb upward to an undisputed "number one" spot.

Our officers for the fall semester are: president, Bill Collins; vice-president, Oscar Will; secretary, Will Hughes; treasurer, Bert Freese; assistant treasurer, Pete Repak; inductor, Mel Chrisman; and sentinel, Ed Perkins.

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### KAPPA

#### Pennsylvania State College

By ELWOOD R. WERTZ

The brothers and pledges of Kappa Chapter returned from their summer vacations "eager" to get back into the classroom. At any rate, last semester's scholastic record proved that we enjoyed our work, for Kappa ranked seventh in scholarship among some seventy established living groups. Brother Alan Benjamin celebrated his last semester at State by earning himself a perfect three. Brother Joe Jammal (then a pledge) was out to prove that he could beat his previous best, and did it with a perfect score.

Our members have been busy enlisting the largest, and, we're sure, the finest pledge class in the history of the chapter. Fourteen stalwarts added their names to the pledge roll: Alan M. Bell, Altoona, Pa.; Raymond J. Dombrowski, New-castle, Pa.; William H. Entwisle, Haver-town, Pa.; Caliseo D. DiValerio, Ard-more, Pa.; John P. Gausch, Malvern, Pa.; Russell A. Henry, Jr., Lansdale, Pa.; Wil-liam W. Hill, Westchester, Pa.; Richard P. Hyde, Kennett Square, Pa.; Roy L.

Jansen, Stratford, Conn.; Raylor H. Jef-ferson, Arlington, Va.; Howard H. Kump, Berwick, Pa.; Frank W. Lance, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Robert A. Meckley, York, Pa.; and William W. Spotts, South Williamsport, Pa.

During the third week of October, Kappa Chapter initiated Brothers Alfred B. Chieppor, Joseph N. Jammal, Gifford B. Phillips, Harold L. Singleton, and Theodore G. Wilhelm.

During the summer, "Giff" Phillips re-turned from a stretch in the Navy. He was a member of Admiral Byrd's last research expedition to the Antarctic. Brother Phillips was "called" just a few weeks before his planned initiation into our brotherhood. Consequently, he has served one of the longest pledgeships on record.

Take one and give back four: Uncle Sam's armed forces have been enriched this past summer by the addition of four of Kappa's good men and true.

Brother Harry Mumma accepted a commission under special status with the Corps of Engineers to pursue special graduate studies at Fort Riley, Kansas. "Moo" took off in a big rush (orders, you know) before he could stand in line for his sheepskin, but the college condescended to graduate him in absentia.

Brother W. Wallace Lord accepted an ensign's commission and is now floating around near Boston on one of our Navy's larger "boats."

Brother Harold E. Richards, also a spanking-new ensign, is at present on inactive duty.

Brother Bernard DeLong has enlisted in the Air Forces. Last we knew, Bernie was a recruit, promising better things to come.

Several men who were with us last year are now enrolled in graduate schools of other universities. Brother Bill Hyde is perusing law books at the University of Pennsylvania; Brother George Bender has entered Temple Medical School; and

Brother Alan Benjamin is taking a master's degree in sociology at Columbia.

Kappa sends its best wishes to its alumni everywhere. Come back and see us some time.

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### NU TRITON Hartwick College

By STUART SHOTWELL

The beginning of a new term at Hartwick, like all other colleges, turns life into a beehive of activity: a quarterback's signals snapping out, juggling of new schedules, rushing new members, and social activities all make the fall semester a bright one in college life. Here at Hartwick, however, there is a new point of interest that has caused all the Phi Sigs to rejoice. This beauteous spot, "the College of the Catskills," has a new touch of beauty — our new chapter house — the cause of our joy!

The business of running a fraternity

house is relatively new to us, but the challenge will be more than met by the zest exhibited by our brothers. At first, thorough house cleaning, painting, shopping, and the procuring of much new furniture, and the help of the married brothers' wives have given us a good start. We have 12 men living in the house, 17 boarding there, with about six more at the end of the football season. Fortunately, a very efficient and capable house mother, Mrs. Eisman, was procured from East Herkimer, New York; her son-in-law is one of our pledges. Brother Joe Brunetto, '50, was elected house president, with Brother Ken Hardy, '49, house manager.

The first official meeting was held at the chapter house on September 30, truly being a "smoke-filled room" because of the tedious process of laying plans for the current year. The meeting was conducted by our new officers: Fran Sullivan, '49, president; Don Allen, '50, vice-



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president; Steve Cembrinski, '50, secretary; Keith Vosburg, '49, treasurer; Richie Kraham, '49, sentinel; Gary Huyer, '49, inductor.

With the football season swinging into its own, Nu Triton is contributing its share of athletes to the varsity squad. Thirteen of the varsity are Phi Sigs and consistent starters. The fraternity intramural is being put into shape under the guidance of Co-Captains Ed Gates, '50, and Steve Cembrinski, both of whom are ex-varsity men.

Brothers Larry Longo, '49, Dick Clark, '50, and Dr. Arthur Reents, accompanied by his wife, enjoyed the privilege of representing Nu Triton Chapter at the Thirty-Second National Convention at the Somerset Hotel, Boston, this summer. The entire delegation came back thoroughly inspired to convey the ideals and principles which were constantly illuminated at the convention to our chapter brothers, and to retain the fond memories of a glorious time there.

Now that fall is really here, and old man frost once again stuns us with his knack of adding colorful tints to nature, so Nu Triton is adding new color to the campus on Oyaron Hill: new fraternity jackets are on order as this goes to press.

Pledges Fran Cardillo, Teddy Day, Ed Beaver, Alex Piccione, and Tom Rowley are being prepared for initiation and will be brothers by the time this issue is printed. So, like the many other chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa, Nu Triton feels it is making a fine beginning which should be a basis for a successful fraternal year.

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### OMICRON DEUTERON University of Alabama

By ROBERT BURNHAM AND  
LARRY FIQUETT

Fall quarter opening saw the Bama Phi Sigs undertaking the big job of house remodeling. When prospects of locating a new house disappeared, we resigned

ourselves to being happy where we were. Pledges, with the assistance of the actives, began painting and papering downstairs. Interior decorating was supervised by Mrs. Fred J. Cox, wife of our chapter adviser and our house mother, Miss Willie White.

Besides converting one room into a Blue Room to give more dancing space, the opening of a powder room is planned — which should make all the fellows' dates happy.

Omega Deuteron has lost a very fine brother, Vorin E. Whan, to Omicron Deuteron. Whan transferred to the U. of A. for special courses in political and military science. He is preparing himself for foreign service work. He's well established here already, making frequent trips to Birmingham — female attraction. We are exceedingly happy to welcome him into our chapter. We're sure he will be an asset to us.

Dr. Fred Cox, chapter adviser, and Brother Bob Burnham, official delegate, returned from the Diamond Jubilee full of new ideas and renewed spirit. They were greatly impressed with the many Phi Sigs whom they met there. They will never forget the good times of the convention, nor any of the new acquaintances made there.

Brother John Garner spent six weeks this summer in Plymouth, Mass., at the Priscilla Beach Drama Festival. He handled the lead there in "Personal Appearance" and appeared in "The Shewing Up of Blanca Posnet," "Good News," "Junior Miss," and "State of the Union." Before leaving the campus he had appeared in "The Poor of New York," a production of the Blackfriars, the college drama group.

Brother John Searcy was one of the few brothers who kept the house open during the summer quarter. Searcy was recently tapped into Theta Tau, professional engineering fraternity.

Brother Jack Martin has added another shingle to his collection. This time it's Tau Beta Pi. It is remarkable how he can attain and keep such a good school average and at the same time keep his girl friend happy.

While on the subject of professional and honorary fraternities, it might be of interest that a university press club committee has petitioned Sigma Delta Chi for a chapter here. Brother Bob Burnham, chairman, has announced that the preliminary petition was approved. Pledges Dundrea and Fiquett were also on this committee and when the charter is granted the Phi Sigs will be well represented in this professional fraternity for journalists.

Two beachcombers, Brothers Henry McNeal and David Evans, spent most of their summer in Panama City, Fla. Both of these gentlemen spent their leisure hours working like slaves at Brother Evan's night club on Long Beach. During their stay, they were visited by Pledges Ed Self, Matt Dundrea and Brothers John Garner and Sage Cope land. After a warm welcome at several of the clubs along the coast, they spent the latter part of one evening with Governor James Folsom of Alabama discussing politics and the possibility of beer in the College Inn.

Brother Bill Thompson has finally got caught by a very lovely Birmingham girl. He has bought a house in Tuscaloosa and the wedding will take place in late October.

Brother Burnham was honored by a visit from Brothers King, McDuffee, Reichhold, and Schoonover when they stopped at his home in Jacksonville, Ala. on their return to California. Several other brothers enjoyed meeting the California brothers when they paused briefly at the chapter house here.

Brother Conrad Hauser was among the brothers and pledges who returned to their homes for the summer. From all

reports, Conrad held down a tough job at the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad Co. in Birmingham. Pledge Charles Bolter spent the summer at home in Foley, Ala. so that, among other things, he could be near his girl friend. Pledge Bob Canava stopped over at the University of Tennessee on his trip between school and Boston, his home. He was really impressed with the Phi Sigs in Knoxville. In spite of his Yankee accent, Bob is making lots of friends here (with the help of a long, shiny Oldsmobile). Pledges Self and Shearer weathered the long hot summer here in school.

Pledge Larry Fiquett made a very good record this summer with the Cleburne News, a weekly newspaper in Heflin, Ala. Larry says that he enjoyed putting into practice all that he has learned in the department of journalism. He says, "Surprisingly as it may seem I was able to use some of the knowledge I acquired in Brother Burnham's course in Typography."

Brothers Bob Jones and Clyde Wolfe, recent graduates, are now employed with the All-States Construction Company in Augusta, Ga. Brother Bob Armstrong is now connected with a pharmaceutical company with headquarters in Chattanooga, Tenn. Brother Bob Webster is now with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics in Virginia.

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### MU TRITON Boston University

By BOB MCKAY

Mu Triton celebrated its first month in Phi Sigma Kappa by sharing honors with Phi Epsilon Pi in an all-university competition for presenting the most original and best conducted party in I.F.C. history. As a windup to senior week, I.F.C. planned a series of parties. Each house on the campus was to supply its own motif and plan, decorate and expand on its own idea. Phi Sigma Kappa's



June Ericson, Queen of Senior Week, being crowned "The White Goddess" at the Phi Sigma Kappa's "Shipwreck on a Jungle Island" party, which party along with Phi Epsilon Pi's "Phi Ep Goes to Hell" party tied for first in the all-university Original and Best Conducted Party competition. Photo by Boston Herald-Traveler Corporation.

Jungle Party along with Phi Epsilon Pi's, "Phi Ep" Goes to Hell, was judged the best.

In keeping with the jungle spirit, the brothers came clad in loin cloths, while their dates arrived in "lurongs" (alluring sarongs). The entire chapter room was draped with scenic jungle backdrops, while the floor was covered with grass mats. On her arrival, the Queen of Senior Week was greeted on the street by six giant Nubian slaves (brothers in loin cloths with black makeup) carrying a gold covered litter.

As she was carried into the house, the queen was greeted by gaily clad natives chanting in their native tongue. The vanguard of the procession was composed of four more slaves carrying flaming torches. Once inside, the queen was seated on her throne (a chaise lounge covered by a gold mesh) and was greeted by the chief of the tribe to a rhythm accompaniment on the drums played by the witch doctor. Following the reception, she was crowned "The White Goddess" and a great feast wound up the occasion.

More recently, the brothers of Mu Triton have acquired themselves a new and much more adequate house on ancient and revered Beacon Street, a stone's throw from famous Beacon Hill. The new location is ideal for fraternal use, hav-

ing large, commodious rooms throughout the entire house, several equipped with fireplaces. Under the skillful handling of newly re-elected officers, headed by President John Budreau, Mu Triton passed safely and unscathed through the rigors of house hunting and house moving.

Two of Mu Triton's brothers, Bud Faivre and Bob McKay, were honored in the closing days of last semester by being invited to join Boston University's Scarlet Key Society, a society reserved for those most active in campus activities. This year Brother Faivre has been made Scarlet Key representative to a radio group engaged in presenting student programs for local stations. Brother McKay has been placed in charge of all applications to membership in Scarlet Key for the coming social season.

Still another of B.U.'s honor societies is graced by the presence of a Mu Triton member in office. Brother Norm Poulin has taken over the reins as vice-president of "Lock," honorary sophomore and junior society, from Brother Paul Roberge.

Mu Triton rejoices in the arrival of Brother Lou Pells, formerly of Xi Chapter, St. Lawrence University, at the B.U. School of Public Relations. Brother Pells is studying for his master's in Public Relations.

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### ALPHA

#### University of Massachusetts

The brothers of Alpha returned this fall with an enthusiasm that soon made itself apparent in the way they repaired and decorated the house. With \$900 rent money from this summer to spend the brothers have really made the house shine. The halls were painted, the living room redecorated, and the rooms put in tip-top condition. Our house manager, Fred Ziwoowski walks about the house with pride over his well-supervised repairs.

Once the house received its new look,

social activities took the limelight. A combination party and dance was held September 25 celebrating the U. of Mass. triumphant 7-6 victory over Bates College of Maine. Brother Tunis and the social committee are making plans for future social functions throughout the semester highlighted by our annual Christmas party. The biggest week end of the fall will be held October 30 when U. of Mass. meets Vermont. This will also be Alumni Week End when the old members will return to their alma mater. It is something to look forward to.

Alpha men, in sports, are keeping up their reputation with Don Costello and Phil Roth gaining starting positions on the football team. Sheldon Smith and Red Cutting are back with the soccer team again. Interfraternity sports start soon with touch football. Phi Sig looms far up in the ranks.

Don Costello received a serious injury in the Bates game. It was necessary for his left kidney to be removed. His football days are undoubtedly over. We all felt bad about his unfortunate mishap. A donation was taken, and he received \$46.

Straton Kerr was married this summer with Richard Hansen following his actions. Robert Kelsey, Art Holmes, and Sheldon Smith broke up this summer, but John Walker, Hank Ballou, Bill Tunis, Harlan Ladd, Fran Vigneau, and Don Westcott are still carrying their torches. Until next time, so long from Alpha.

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### PHI DEUTERON University of Kentucky

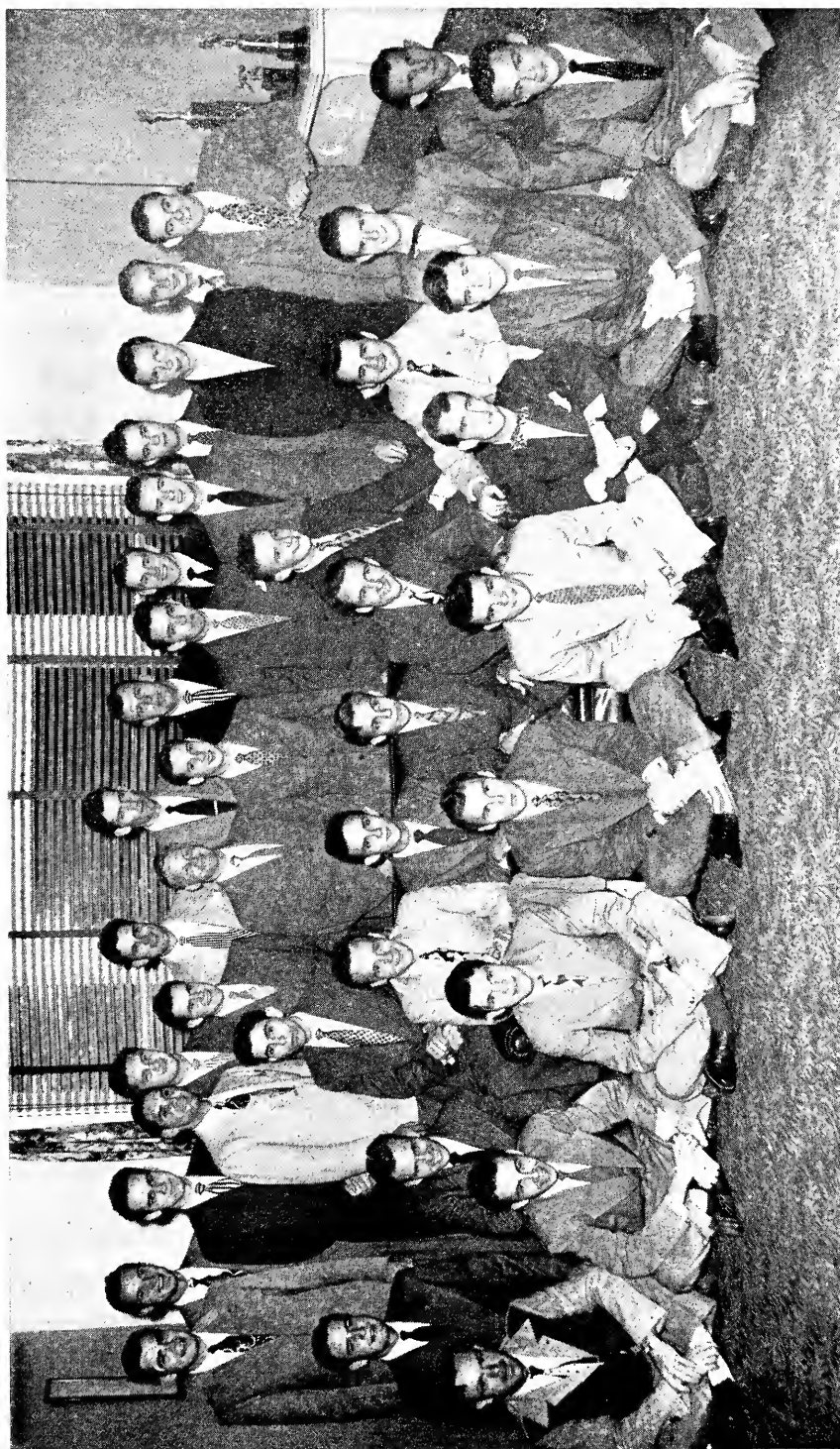
By BOB LINEHAN

"THE DAYS OF EASY RUSH ARE OVER." With this depressing thought deeply imbedded in our minds, we were greeted the very first week upon our return to school and our beloved fraternity. Most of the brothers returned, still many familiar faces were missing,

and strange were some who greeted us. Our house from the outward appearance hadn't changed at all, but upon stepping inside, we were forced to change our minds considerably. The new wallpaper, gigantic wall mirrors, and impressive baby grand piano, not to mention the newly opened game room were improvements that could be noted at a quick sweeping glance. All agreed that their addition made the house appear a hundred per cent better, and several of the fellows were taking extreme caution with the new baby grand as if it were a newly born babe. Brother Elliot Jones and Pledge Al Frame were prevailed upon at all hours of the day and night to render melodies from our new piano. It seemed as if there developed an almost overnight interest for music in the house.

Getting back to our rush program once again, all of us began wondering who had made such a statement about rush anyway? With such a fine group of men, and our fine house, how could the new rushees resist us? With the aid of a fine array of rush parties intermingled with an occasional dinner and stag party, we found 30 new students who saw the proverbial handwriting on the wall and pledged themselves to us. Here are the names of those thirty, mark them well, for we expect great things from them in the near future: Paul Adams, Fred Barrick, S. R. Barlow, David Bentley, John Blankenship, Tom Brooks, Bronson Callihan, Charles Clark, William Crews, Jr., Don DeBoer, William Ernest, William Fields, Charles Fleming, Alex Frame, John D. Idleman, A. J. Mangione, William Martin, Charles Mathias, Connell Medley, Charles Oakley, Robert Pittman, Clifford Richardson, George Rybolt, Eugene Stevens, Calvin Sullivan, Robert Terril, Robert Wages, and Woodrow Yankee. These men join with the following holdover pledges from last year to make a very formidable pledge class for Phi Deuteron: John





# PHI DEUTERON PLEDGES

Left to right, bottom row: Paul Hamm, Dave Bentley, Dan Tuttle, John Meyer, Cliff Richardson, Charles Oakley, Bill Martin, Jack Bruckert; middle row: Clyde Hamm, Woody Yankee, Charles Fleming, Bob Pittman, Bill Fields, Bob Wages, Tom Brooks, Charles Mathias, Bill Ernest, Mac Morgan, Bronson Callihan; standing: Paul Adams, Joe Wojtowicz, George Rybolt, Charles Clark, John Blankenship, Gene Stevens, J. T. Cavender, Kelly Bruce, Connie Medley, A. J. Mangione, Fred Barrick, Bernard Burchett, Bob Terri, Buddy Rudy, Calvin Sullivan, Bill Crews, Jr., Al Frame, Don DeBoer.



Bruckert, Carl Genito, Clyde Hamm, Mac Morgan, Dan Tuttle, Joseph Wojtowicz, and Bernard Burchett.

Since our success was so apparent, rushing seemed little more than a romp to most of us, but there were a few among us that went through the fray with a little less pleasure. We are referring to the members of the rush committee, to whose efforts our most noteworthy praise belongs. So, John Soper, Jim Northcutt, and Tom Prather, stand up and take a nice long bow for your fine work. To them, "THE DAYS OF EASY RUSH ARE OVER" was no laughing matter.

Our next move was to set our brotherhood in high gear for the coming season through the election of a fine group of officers. So, at our very first active meeting, Brother Walter Patrick was installed as president. Assisting Walter will be Fred J. Coplin as vice-president, J. C. Powell as secretary, Don M. Hall as treasurer, James D. Northcutt as sentinel, and W. Elliot Jones as inductor. It may be well to mention that Brother Patrick was chosen to his position by a unanimous vote of the chapter. During the summer months and again in early October, our chapter welcomed the addition of several newly initiated brothers. Those so honored were Donald D. Dodson, James D. Northcutt, and W. Elliot Jones, who were inducted during the summer, and John J. Rudy, R. Kelly Bruce, John Meyer, and J. T. Cavender who joined us at the beginning of the first semester of this year. New Brothers Northcutt, Jones, and Meyer have already distinguished themselves in chapter activity, the former two holding offices in the active chapter, and Brother Meyer coaching our intramural football team.

From reports we have been receiving, several of our older brothers who have graduated are progressing very rapidly. Past President Joe Evans and Bill Ellison

have begun their careers by getting married, Joe to Miss Helen Horlacher, and Bill to Miss Frances Pritchard. Other prosperous alumni are frequent visitors. Brother John David Williams, chancellor of the University of Mississippi, and a charter member of our chapter was a recent luncheon guest. And then of



WALTER PATRICK

course, no one is forgetting Brother Jay Rhodemyre. Jay, who was center on the Kentucky football team, finished his collegiate career in a blaze of glory in the College All Star game in Chicago this summer. His brilliant play made him the choice of the fans as well as the sports writers as the most valuable player. In addition, Jay was chosen as All-Southeastern Conference Center, and holds the honor of being the first lineman to ever make the all-star honor roll. Besides these honors, Brother Rhodemyre was chosen Center and Captain of the All Phi Sigma Kappa football team. He has signed a contract to play pro-

fessional football this fall and winter, and then hopes to be back with us for the next semester until June, at which time he shall graduate.

Brother J. C. Powell, the chapter's official delegate to the Diamond Jubilee Convention, along with the other members of the chapter who attended the Boston affair, were high in their praise of this very successful meeting. From time to time, J. C. is giving us short summaries of the sessions in order that we all may be enlightened upon our future plans and programs. Besides the business end of the meetings, J. C. was highly pleased with the entertainment. He extolled the beauty of our Moonlight Girl, Miss Ruth Sawyer to such a great extent that some of the brothers were on the verge of catching the first train to Texas. They all said that they were going there to look for the Moonlight Girl of next year, but they were eventually persuaded to stay at home when their eyes fell on some of the new freshman girls parading around the campus. Tommy Montgomery has already set the campus newspaper's gossip reporter nuts trying to keep up on his activities with the new girls. Getting back to the convention, J. C. also remarked that he certainly learned an awful lot about the grocery business after hanging around with several of the Tennessee delegates.

Speaking of Tennessee boys — not a "you-all" has been heard from them so far this year. Undoubtedly, they are saving their strength and (we hope) spirits for our mass chapter exodus down there during the latter part of November for our annual school football rivalry.

We also began this year with a new house mother to go along with our newly decorated house. Indeed her charm has lent as much to its atmosphere as the new furnishings. Her name is Mrs. Ellen B. Wycoff, but to most of the boys she's just plain "Mom." At one time she was an instructor in child psychology,

and therefore is entirely capable of handling us in any of our weak moments.

Our social program for the semester has been well devised, and a variety of events have been scheduled. We have already drawn up plans for a Christmas season formal and a tea for our new house mother in December. Various week end parties have been promised to provide pleasant relaxation from our school routine.

Our intramural teams are in there competing in all phases of sporting events and we feel sure that we will add some more trophies to our ever-growing collection.

So until the next issue that's about all from Phi Deuteron on this trip.

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### EPSILON TRITON The American University

By BILL CORRIGAN

Hello again to all you Phi Sigs. School is in, THE SIGNET is out and here's the report on what the brothers at Epsilon Triton have been doing since we last met in these pages.

The final activity of the past school year was our annual house party. This was held at Camp Letts on the Maryland shore and arrangements for it were made by Brothers Frailey, Kedda, and Wolgemuth. To them belongs the credit for a really memorable week end. The four days were all that any one could hope for and were a fine climax to a highly successful year. Regional Director Brother Barrett Fuchs was our guest and joined in all of the planned activities. All of us will long remember "Mac" Luther's trips with "Honey" to their "Island of Love". . . Bob Malone's outboard motor . . . Cuddihy's poison ivy . . . Gross' crabbing trip . . . the Sunday safari to church services . . . Fred Heitzinger's ability to eat . . . Beverly Beach and the long nights . . . Billy Binswanger and his swimming exhibitions . . . Old

Salt Frailey giving sailing instructions. In short, the Phi Sigs really had a time. After a few days' rest some of the boys went to "our sisters," the Delta Gammas' house party at Tall Timbers. Due to their presence we understand that it, too, was successful.

Many familiar faces were missing when we held our first meeting this year. Graduations, transfers, and attractive job offers have been responsible. Irv Mills is now personnel director for General Bronze in Long Island, Mike Katen is at Georgetown Law School, Wally Lyon is on the methods staff of the A.A.A., Art Kamm now attends Sylvania Electric, Billy Griffin is after a master's degree at Texas Teacher's, Jim Lince is with the A.A.A., Art Kamm now attends George Washington Law School, Fred Sharrah, always the executive type, heads the planning and research division at Landsburgs in town, George Latham is now a chemist with Public Health, Bill Aikin labors daily as executive secretary of the National Association of Mine Stores, Bob Malone is with the Civil Air Board, Bob Smalley has gone in training with Sears, Roebuck . . . to all of them we say good luck. Epsilon Triton misses you, but the welcome mat is out and we hope you will visit us.

The first few weeks of the fall term were busy ones for the brothers here at A.U. The walls of our lounge were scraped and refinished, wall-type bookcases were built, a new asphalt tile floor was installed in the lounge and in the reception hall, the chapter room was re-decorated, new furniture was purchased . . . nothing was overlooked . . . everything felt the touch of scrubbing brush and paint brush. As a result our houses now look very well and we are all well satisfied with the results of our labors.

At the opening meeting Epsilon Triton regretfully accepted the resignations of Brothers Binswanger and Aikin from

their posts as president and vice-president, respectively. Binswanger's fall schedule is such that he would be unable to give the presidency the time it requires and Bill Aikin has left school. New officers for the chapter were elected. Earl Walker is our president and Bill Corrigan the vice-president. At this same meeting Brother Aikin presented an elaborate and informing report on this summer's convention.

At this time we are in the midst of our plans for the selection of this year's Moonlight Girl. Interest on campus is very high and both independent and sorority girls are vying eagerly for the distinction. Final choice will be most difficult and we plan to put the matter in the hands of outside judges to select our representative at a formal dance. From the caliber of the entries, though, we are certain of a girl who will be a strong candidate for national honors.

Rushing this year has, by order of the Interfraternity Council, been deferred until mid-semester at the end of November. However, Jack Woods, pledge master has lined up an ambitious program for our rush season and we expect in the next issue of THE SIGNET to announce that his plans were fruitful and Epsilon Triton will have pledged a representative group of prospective Phi Sigs.

Speaking of the Council reminds us that we have more news to pass on. Brother Walker, our president, has also been made president of the Interfraternity Council at the American University. This is a distinction which we at the chapter house are quite proud of and it is a job which, knowing Earl, will be well done. Through his position and leadership Phi Sigma Kappa should have a really good year on campus.

### *Sports*

By the time this is in print we hope to be well into the intramural football season and preparing space in the trophy case for another award. Brother Walker

is coaching the 23-man squad we carry and at present writing it looks to be a pre-season favorite. Arrangements are nearing completion whereby we will have games with the brothers at Eta and Lambda — loser to be host for a party. This should be good "fraternity" and make for an enjoyable time.

Al Gross has brought the house another distinction by being selected as the outstanding intramural athlete in the university. Speaking of individual awards, Bob Frailey won the intramural badminton championship to add to the crowded mantel. Pledge Fred Karner has nailed a spot on the varsity basketball team to keep Phi Sig active in that sport. Billy Joe Griffin, since graduated, was captain of last year's squad . . . good luck, Freddie. Brother Briggs is back to captain the varsity swimming team with Brothers Butler and Carter to aid in the point gathering. Al Nencioni, captain of the track team, has been keeping in shape by outrunning the opposition from his spot in our intramural football team's backfield.

#### *Miscellany*

"Mac" Luther plighted his troth to Brother Latham's sister Margie on the 15th of September . . . if their marriage is as happy as the Phi Sigs were at their reception they can look forward to really pleasant days together . . . good luck to them . . . We'll have another marriage to attend on October 23 . . . Brother Keppler takes the fateful step that day with D. G.'s Helen Bennett, last year's Apple Blossom Queen . . . luck and best wishes to you, too, Kep . . . Question: "Who is the biggest man on campus?" Freshman girl (any girl) answers, "Roy Mullin, of course." Yes, once again Brother Roy has conquered . . . like an avenging angel he swept down on the new frosh and culled a choice morsel from the crop . . . at present writing it looks as if she may be the final member of the "Roy Mullin Fan

Club" . . . Johnny Stewart is following closely in Roy's footsteps . . . he hasn't touched the record yet but he has become the number two "loveboat" of the chapter . . . Ed Ahrens insists that his son, born in August, is almost big enough for us to rush and pledge . . . that's paternal pride, but if he is as good a man as his father we'll take an option on him for 1966 . . . Fred Cavanaugh has a new love, car that is, Li'l Nell . . . she can never take the place of old Hortense the Packard, but what some brothers will do for a few hundred dollars' profit . . . Brothers Strong, Gross, Wildermuth, Wolgemuth, Cassard, and MacLaclanare all either engaged or starry-eyed at present . . . it gets harder every day to find many brothers who are ready for a mid-week malt session . . . Brother Binswanger is going to be a "daddy" in March, or so his wife tells us . . . this is about all that time will permit if we are to make the deadline. We at Epsilon Triton are off to a good start on what we hope will prove to be a highly successful year. Good luck to all you other Phi Sigs and so long until the next SIGNET.

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NU

#### **Lehigh University**

The wheel of time has rolled around one complete cycle since last fall, and now Nu Chapter finds itself well on the way to another successful year. We haven't lost many men to the outside world, having had only one man graduate (Samuel F. Snyder, Jr.). So we have a well-knit house to open the new school year with.

Our rushing season has been very successful. From the hubbub of the week we managed to ensnare seven freshmen who make up our new pledge class. These men are: Theodore Friebus, F. Noel McLaughlin, Henry Pariseau, Donald Rider, Donald Savory, James Stauffer, and G. Anthony Wilford. This is the last class that Nu Chapter

will pledge under the old "rush week" system. As reported in a previous issue, Lehigh University will begin the deferred rushing system next September.

Scholastically, we were high last semester. We ranked fourth in the fraternity system of twenty-nine houses at Lehigh. This time we are aiming for still higher marks in order to win the scholarship cup that our chapter sponsors at Lehigh. For the last four semesters it has been won by Tau Delta Phi. But rest assured that Nu will come through with the bacon and rest the cup on our mantelpiece where it belongs.

We wish to thank all alumni readers of this publication who have sent us names and references of boys who were entering Lehigh. During rushing week we had a large number of these fellows over at the house and really appreciate the effort of the alumni.

The future of Nu Chapter looks good for this year. Our social committee has thus far done a fine job of arranging affairs. To date they have had two very successful parties, and they expect to have many more of them.

Our last class was initiated Friday, October 8. Those initiated included Edmund A. Burroughs, James S. Fulleylove, and Ralph L. Hartman.

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### CHI DEUTERON Washington State College

By DAVID McKEEN

It sure doesn't take long for the professors to snow a fellow in with school work so with that in mind, we at Chi Deuteron got quickly in gear and carried out our rush, initiation, and election of officers before school had barely gotten under way.



Left to right, on floor: Hartman, Fulleylove, Burroughs; sitting on chairs: Ridinger, acting-treasurer; Bridgman, vice-president; Raffensperger, president; Stoeltzing, secretary; Young, sentinel; and Utz, inductor.

Numerous excellent men went through rush this year and in our estimation we got the cream of the crop. We pledged 12 new men and all are swell fellows. George Stabenfeldt is an accomplished pianist and plays the clarinet and saxophone in band besides. Don Kniss, Dave Roberts, George Rosser, and Bruce Webb are sharpies at basketball and we are looking for great things from these men. Dwight Poole and Lowell Nash are football prospects. Dal Shockley is here to play baseball this spring on the frosh team. Joe Behlow, after considerable time in the Air Corps, is going to strengthen our varsity diving team. Jack Olsen was recently appointed as one of the Yell Dukes. Orland Smith is the operator of the pledge class and Don Cochran is the boy with a smile on his face all the time. The class of new and old pledges recently elected Joe their president, Jack Graham, vice-president and Dal as secretary with Dwight as sentinel.

Aspiring to the esteemed position of new members, nine men survived Rough Week in good condition. Arnie Neble, Dave Niles, John Rowley, Ralph Klimke, Cal Meredith, Cal Cooper, Don Fuller, Bill Dietrich and Jim Bortz received their pins and joined our brotherhood as full-fledged members.

The new cabinet was elected and installed at the last meeting of the members. Dean Rumburg took over as president of the chapter with Norrie Pearson assisting him in the capacity of vice-president and pledge trainer. Wayne Fondahn will have charge of the secretary's minutes, et al, for the coming semester and Jim Aylward will continue as house manager and treasurer. Gene Kelly was elected sentinel of the chapter and Dave McKeen was elected inductor to complete the new cabinet. Bill McCoy was appointed assistant house manager, Carl Blomberg became social chairman, Dave Niles took over as athletic chairman and Cal Cooper will keep up the

history of the house. A few positions need to be filled a little later.

Our thanks from the house to the outgoing members of the cabinet: Leo Jensen, Bob Kittleson, Bob McCoy, Roy Boltz, and Ed McKown, as well as Bob Cochran, ex-assistant house manager, for their fine jobs last year.

The Phi Sigs at WSC still maintain the reputation of being a well-rounded group. Two men, Dean Rumburg and John Rowley are bolstering the Cougar line on the gridiron this year. The frosh squad is looking good and no wonder, with Lowell Nash and Dwight Pool holding down backfield positions for the Cougbabes. Joe Behloun and a transfer student from Nevada, Rick Larsen, are hopefuls with terrific prospects in diving and swimming. Jack Olsen was appointed one of three Yell Dukes and is a candidate for frosh class vice-president. Bob Kittleson was named Winter Week committee chairman with Dave McKeen also on the committee which plans a week of festivities during mid-winter. Rumburg is on the athletic council and Dale Martin, who recently joined the married set, is on the student activities committee. Gerry Morris was appointed to the relief fund committee and Leo Jensen is a member of the student union promotion board.

At the pre-Stanford game rally the Phi Sigs took third prize with the theme and artistic ability of their sign board, the only Greek house to place in the contest. Arnie Klimke and Jack Olsen were responsible for the swell job.

Because we have been so busy with rush, initiation and all, we have had time for only one fireside so far. It was an excellent one so we all had a good time. Now that the "humbrum" business is taken care of, we are looking forward to numerous functions of various sorts.

That's about how things shape up here at Chi Deuteron at the beginning of the fall term but there will be more in future

issues of THE SIGNET as the semester progresses and the Phi Sigs really get rolling.

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## ZETA

### College of the City of New York

By EDWARD ANDERSON

This fall term was ushered in with the election of our officers. Steve Harantha was elected our president; Bill Kozak, vice-president; Thomas Pyke, our secretary; Bob Lindsay, treasurer; Bill Woods, inductor; and Ed Anderson, the sentinel.

The term promises to be one of the most successful in the history of Zeta. We are busily rushing as many men as possible in order to assure our getting the best, and have a full social program planned for the term. At the present we are concentrating mainly on rushing and have rushee smokers as often as possible. After we secure the number of pledges desired we will then turn to co-ed functions, the first of which shall be a Halloween party, to be followed at regular intervals by other gatherings. Our social committee composed of Brothers Bill Woods, Manoog Eggezarian, and Bob Thomson, (more often called the "Whiskey Brigade"), should be given a great deal of credit for devoting so much of their valuable time to the planning of our fall program.

The chapter house has also improved greatly, having recently been given a re-finishing complete with a new coat of paint. Brothers Harantha and Lindsay are to be given a great deal of the credit for this fine job.

Back with us once again is Brother John Le Bere. Having completed two years of service with the Navy he is resuming studies towards his B.S.S. It is good to see the Frenchman home again and we look forward to his tales of adventure and fortune, which, of course, will come.

Brothers Pencava and Lindsay, who

are graduating come January, plan to take graduate work in their respective fields at the University of California. We know that they will live up to the high standards they have created at City College and with us at Zeta.

Now for some news from cupid's corner. Brothers Bill Woods, Heney Le Bel and Wally Carey recently became engaged and Brother Bob Hrupka was married. We wish them good luck, because they certainly will need it. Brother Jack Ether, a June graduate, now studying at the graduate school of Columbia University, became a father again by being blessed with his second baby girl. Best of everything, papa Jack!

The house has recently been visited by several of our late alumni. They are: Brother Norman Schaeffer, now at Wagner College; Brother Danny Lundvall, president of our alumni association; and Brother Gus Nichols, our chapter adviser.

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## EXPLOSION STARTLES MU CHAPTER

A makeshift bomb exploded in a lot behind the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity house on the University of Pennsylvania campus on Saturday night, July 17. No damage was done to the property, however.

The blast occurred shortly before 10 P. M., while several summer school students were watching a television set in the fraternity house. Robert Kluesener, class of 1950, ran to the rear window and saw a small cloud of smoke rising from the ground in the center of the lot, a safe distance from the building.

Detectives could not explain the blast, but felt that it was set off by a student, either as a prank or as a chemistry experiment.

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